

COMMENT OF  
THE DAY

Britain & The  
Colonies

HONGKONG would like to have more details about Lord Ognore's proposed new political status for the colonies. The cabled report of the House of Lords debate leaves rather too much to the imagination.

Lord Ognore, who knows quite a lot about the comparative problems of the British colonies since, in the late Labour government, he was Under-Secretary for the Colonies, is reported to have advanced the suggestion of a "Grand Council" being formed through which the colonies would be able to obtain more closely the ear of the United Kingdom government of the day.

Lord Lloyd, current Under-Secretary for the Colonies, quickly pinpointed two difficulties regarding the practicality of such a Council. If its functions were to be consultative, Parliament would not follow its advice; if the Council were endowed with executive powers, it might find itself at loggerheads with Parliament.

HONGKONG'S interest in any project aimed at giving the Colony more direct representation in the parliamentary councils of the United Kingdom would not be lacking. Several times in the past the idea has been advanced that Hongkong could well benefit from having a voice in the House of Commons to speak for some of its needs. Whether this forms part of Lord Ognore's proposal for a Grand Council is not known. Manifestly there would be considerable obstacles to overcome, some constitutional, others of a more practical nature.

The notion that an MP already representing an English constituency could be "selected" also to represent Hongkong is not feasible, even if constitutional objections could be overcome. And if Hongkong, and of course the rest of the colonies, were to have their own elected MP at Westminster, this would entail the creation of overseas constituencies, a radical innovation which most probably would encounter strong opposition by the present constituted parliament.

Perhaps the most interesting point about the House of Lords discussion on the "Grand Council" proposal is that it was not rejected out of hand by the Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies. On the contrary Lord Lloyd laid down only one condition: that any move to effect a new relationship between Britain and her colonies must be acceptable to and if possible positively desired by the territories. Lord Ognore as the sponsor of the idea, might profitably make his next move a careful canvass of the colonies' reactions to the proposition.

A New China Mail Feature

The China Mail brings you tomorrow another new exciting feature story. It is: "Bluff was my armour" by Rolf Magener — a war story with a different setting. This time the two escaping POWs are Germans and the hunters are the British. One of the escapees tells you this week in the first chapter of a three-installment serial how he and his companion SUCCESSFULLY OUTWITTED THE BRITISH.

Another top-line feature in tomorrow's China Mail concerns the current literary controversy over the Richard Aldington book about Lawrence of Arabia.

The author tells Sydney Smith just why he debunked Lawrence in this exclusive Saturday Mail feature.

There is another exciting episode in Jean Forcher Creteau's story "Hidden Mysteries of the Undersea Jungle" this week in which the author relates his experience with the dreaded giant Manta Ray on the ocean floor.

Is your son at boarding school? Anne Scott James thinks it is "barbarous and unnatural". Read her views in tomorrow's Mail.

Sir Deverley Baxter writes on Princess Margaret's visit to the West Indies... A. J. Forrest writes another exciting article on the "Secrets of International Crime". Gilles is on his way to the Monte Carlo Rally. William Hickey watches Yugoslav opera in London... and Jane Roberts reviews current films showing in Hongkong... all in tomorrow's Mail.

# London Emergency Talks On Far East Situation

## Crisis Key Man



MR NEHRU

## SHIP SENDS OUT SOS

London, Feb. 3. Coastal radios today intercepted an SOS from the Costa Rican freighter Darnel, reporting that it had suffered a boiler explosion during an Atlantic gale and "many men were terribly injured."

The radio message said the boiler exploded while the ship was fighting a gale 300 miles west of Cape Finisterre, Spain. It said the ship was "out of control."

Lloyd's Register of shipping lists the Darnel as being of 7,053 tons, owned by the General Shipping Finance Corporation and registered in Puerto Limon, Costa Rica.—United Press.

## TORIES WIN

Stockport, Feb. 3. Sir Winston Churchill's Conservatives retained a seat in a parliamentary bye-election polled today at South Stockport.

The result declared late tonight was:

Mr Harold Steward, Conservative, 16,321.  
Mr Herbert Davies, Labour, 13,758.

## Two Casablanca Outrages

Casablanca, Feb. 3. A businessman was killed and a Moroccan slaughterhouse employee injured in two terrorist attacks here today.

The businessman, Emil Herer Bohm, was sprayed with revolver bullets as he drove away from his trucking company here.

The Moroccan was sent to hospital after being shot in the throat by an unknown terrorist who fired from a car.—France-Press.

# MR NEHRU'S CEASEFIRE CONFERENCE PLAN Commonwealth Premiers Taking Initiative

From DEREK MARKS

London, Feb. 3. In London today a Foreign Office spokesman said Britain was "deeply disappointed" by Red China's rejection of the UN invitation. No further comment was made but it is clear Sir Winston Churchill and the Commonwealth Premiers are to hold emergency talks tomorrow (Friday) on the new situation.

It is expected that Mr Nehru will put forward a plan calling for a Geneva-type conference such as that which succeeded in ending the Indo-China war.

I understand the basis of this plan will be that Britain, France, India and Russia will be asked to invite jointly the United States and Communist and Nationalist China to meet at a round table conference.

No attempts are made in London tonight to disguise the gravity of the situation. Fear of war in the Far East is now very real.

I understand the immediate view of senior officials tonight was that Chou En-lai's demands had "slammed the door" on all attempts to negotiate a Formosa ceasefire through the United Nations.

But there was a feeling that the Chinese Communists had rejected the UN invitation "in expectation that the Commonwealth Premiers would do something which would be welcome," as one source put it.

It is significant that Mr Nehru has had private talks with Mr Winthrop Aldrich, the United States Ambassador to London, and Huan Hsiang, the Chinese Charge d'Affaires.

Mr Nehru is due to go to Moscow for talks after the London conference ends.

Any joint Commonwealth action to lower Far East tension will have to be swift if it is to be effective. The brusque terms of Chou's rejection is expected to inflame feelings throughout America.

To avert a clash between the United States Seventh Fleet and the Chinese Communists which would produce a major danger, Sir Winston Churchill and his fellow Premiers will devote their energies tomorrow.

The China Mail's London correspondent writes as news of Red China's rejection of the UN invitation to discuss Formosa ceasefire proposals reached London, the representatives of the Colombo Powers Conference were laying plans for an emergency meeting to seek means of easing the tension.

According to sources close to the Commonwealth Premiers' Conference the Indonesian Minister to London, on cabled instructions from his government, has asked Sir John Kotelawala, Premier of Ceylon and chairman of the Colombo Powers, to call a special meeting of the Powers' representatives.

Earlier today, it is understood, the Indonesian Minister called on two other Commonwealth Premiers — Isiah Nehru and Pakistan's Mohammed Ali.

Once already the Colombo Powers have played a part in helping solve the Far Eastern problem. That was during the Geneva talks last year when the Foreign Ministers' meeting in Switzerland, asked the Colombo Powers for their views.

## NEW EFFORTS

London, Feb. 3. The British Commonwealth Prime Ministers, meeting here, will intensify their efforts to solve the Formosa crisis, following Communist China's refusal tonight to attend a ceasefire debate in the United Nations Security Council.

The Prime Ministers are now almost certain to take up the Formosa problem — shelved while China's answer to the Security Council invitation was awaited at their next meeting tomorrow.

Tonight the feeling among conference delegates was that the development had put the burden of finding a new way to ease the tension squarely on the shoulders of Mr Chou En-lai's

## Britain's Germ Warfare Statement

London, Feb. 4. Britain told Russia today she would never wage gas or germ warfare except in reprisal.

In a note delivered in Moscow, Britain denied Soviet charges that the recent Paris treaties on German rearmament violated the 1925 Geneva Protocol banning the use of these weapons.

Similar replies were sent by the other signatories of the Paris treaties whom Russia accused of breaking the Protocol, France, Italy and the Benelux countries.

The British note said that when the Protocol was ratified, Russia herself joined Britain in reserving "the right to retaliate in kind against any Power which should first use such weapons against them."

## RIGHT RESERVED

Both countries "thus reserved the right to manufacture and stock such weapons."

The note contrasted the Soviet charges—contained in a note to London on January 13—with the attitude of Moscow in 1942.

It quoted a wartime telegram from Marshal Stalin to Sir Winston Churchill welcoming Britain's assurance to use poison gas against Germany if the Nazis used it against Russia.

The fear of retaliation, not the Geneva Protocol, prevented gas and germ weapons being used in the last war, today's British note asserted.

## NO OBLIGATION

It said the Paris agreements provided for the "effective limitation and control by an international body of bacteriological and chemical weapons as well as of other types of weapons. No comparable system is understood to exist in East Europe."

"In establishing this system of control the Paris agreements do not create an obligation for the production of these weapons," the note stated.

There was therefore "no justification for the Soviet Government's statement that these agreements provide for the 'piling up' of stocks or still less for the use of these weapons."

Britain rejected as "misrepresenting the essential purpose of the Paris agreements" the Russian allegation that they were incompatible with the Geneva Protocol.—Reuter.

## MP's Query On HK Shirts

Our Own Correspondent

London, Feb. 3. Miss Elaine Burton, Socialist MP for Coventry South, asked the President of the Board of Trade in the Commons today whether he was in a position to make a statement on the action taken by the Hongkong Government concerning the manufacture and marketing of shirts branded at an exact imitation of Double Two shirts made by a Wakefield shirt company. Mr Peter Thorneycroft replied: "I am informed the Hongkong authorities took steps to stop the manufacture of the shirts in question as soon as complaints were received, and that they are taking legal proceedings against the exporter concerned."

Miss Burton further asked whether the Minister was in a position to state when the legal procedure will be completed because the information he had given wasn't very new. Mr Thorneycroft said: "On the question of timing I am afraid I am not in a position to say as this is in the hands of the Hongkong authorities."

## Passenger Found Dead On Liner

New York, Feb. 3.

A passenger aboard the American liner United States has been found dead in his cabin with a bullet wound in his head, a spokesman for the United States Lines said here tonight.

He said a cable from New York to Southampton, identified the man as Norman Edward Comber, whose body was found in his tourist class cabin. The only address available, the spokesman said, was that the man lived "somewhere in Essex, England."

A gun was found in the man's bedclothes. There were no witnesses to the shooting, the spokesman said. He said circumstances indicated suicide.

An investigation will be made when the United States reaches Southampton, he added.

The cable from the ship did not reveal whether the man was travelling alone. It did not give his age or other details.—United Press.

## HE OVERDID HIS CELEBRATING

Port of Spain, Feb. 3. Magistrates were dealing sternly with over-enthusiastic celebrants during Princess Margaret's visit.

A man who drank to the Princess' health and who often was fined \$25 "showing disrespect" and was put on a year's probation.—United Press.

## Premiers Discuss Singapore Defence

London, Feb. 3.

The Prime Ministers of Britain, Australia, New Zealand and Pakistan today discussed the defence of Singapore and Malaya in a study of the general strategic situation in South-east Asia.

During the talks Field Marshal Sir John Harding, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, gave the Prime Ministers a top secret appraisal of the fighting strength of the eight nations making up the new Southeast Asian Treaty Organisation.

Sir Winston Churchill, Mr R. G. Menzies, Australia, Mr Sidney Holland, New Zealand, and Mr Mohammed Ali, Pakistan, discussed as part of their study the present campaign against Communist terrorists in Malaya.

But conference sources said neither Mr Menzies nor Mr Holland made any reference to the question of stationing Australian or New Zealand troops permanently in Malaya.

This will be discussed later by Britain, Australia and New Zealand among themselves, the sources said.

## WILL PLAY PART

Mr Menzies has already made it clear that Australia is willing to play her part in the defence of Malaya but that there can be no firm commitment on troops during the present conference.

Today's meeting included a discussion of the staff liaison arrangements of the staff liaison group in Malaya.

The ANZAM structure was due to be discussed in greater detail by the three countries tonight.

But new developments on the Formosa crisis tonight may cause this discussion and another on Pakistan's future constitutional status in the Commonwealth to be postponed.

Today's talks surveyed in detail the situation in the immediate area, abounded by Indo-China in the North, Indonesia in the South, Thailand in the West and the Philippines in the East.—Reuter.

## MEENES-FRANCE SEEKS VOTE

Paris, Feb. 3.

The French Premier, M. Pierre Meenes-France, tonight put a vote of confidence before the National Assembly at the end of a two-day debate on the Government's policies in North Africa.

The vote will take place shortly after midnight on Friday.—Reuter.

## Reactions To Chou's Note Of Rejection

Washington, Feb. 3.

Communist China's effective refusal to co-operate in the United Nations Formosa ceasefire discussions was seen in diplomatic circles here as a heavy, perhaps fatal blow, to such efforts through the framework of the United Nations Security Council.

In these circumstances, attention is shifting to other means of ending the fighting there and in particular to the informal discussions now going on between the Commonwealth Prime Ministers in London.

Diplomats here expressed themselves profoundly disappointed at what they called the extremely negative and propagandist nature of the reply of the Chinese Premier, Mr Chou En-lai, to the invitation extended to him by the United Nations Security Council.

But in Western diplomatic circles there was no disposition to give up all efforts to bring about an end to hostilities in the Formosa area. As one diplomat put it: "This puts us back to starting all over again."—Reuter.

## DEEP DISAPPOINTMENT

New York, Feb. 3. News of the Chinese Communist rejection of the Security Council's invitation was received at United Nations Headquarters today with deep disappointment.

The bitter and uncompromising terms used by Mr Chou En-lai produced a sense of shock, particularly among those delegates who had been optimistic about the chances of his agreeing eventually to send a representative to New York.

In the view of qualified observers, Mr Chou En-lai's

## THE NEW ARK ROYAL READY

London, Feb. 4.

The Ark Royal, Britain's most up-to-date aircraft carrier, which took nearly 12 years to complete, will come into service with the Royal Navy on February 22, it was announced here.

The 36,800-ton vessel, incorporating the latest improvements, including an angled flight deck, is successor to a long line of Ark Royals dating back from the days of the Spanish Armada more than 350 years ago.

With more than 80 aircraft aboard—the number in wartime would be even larger—the new Ark Royal will be the most formidable fighting unit of the Royal Navy.—China Mail Special.

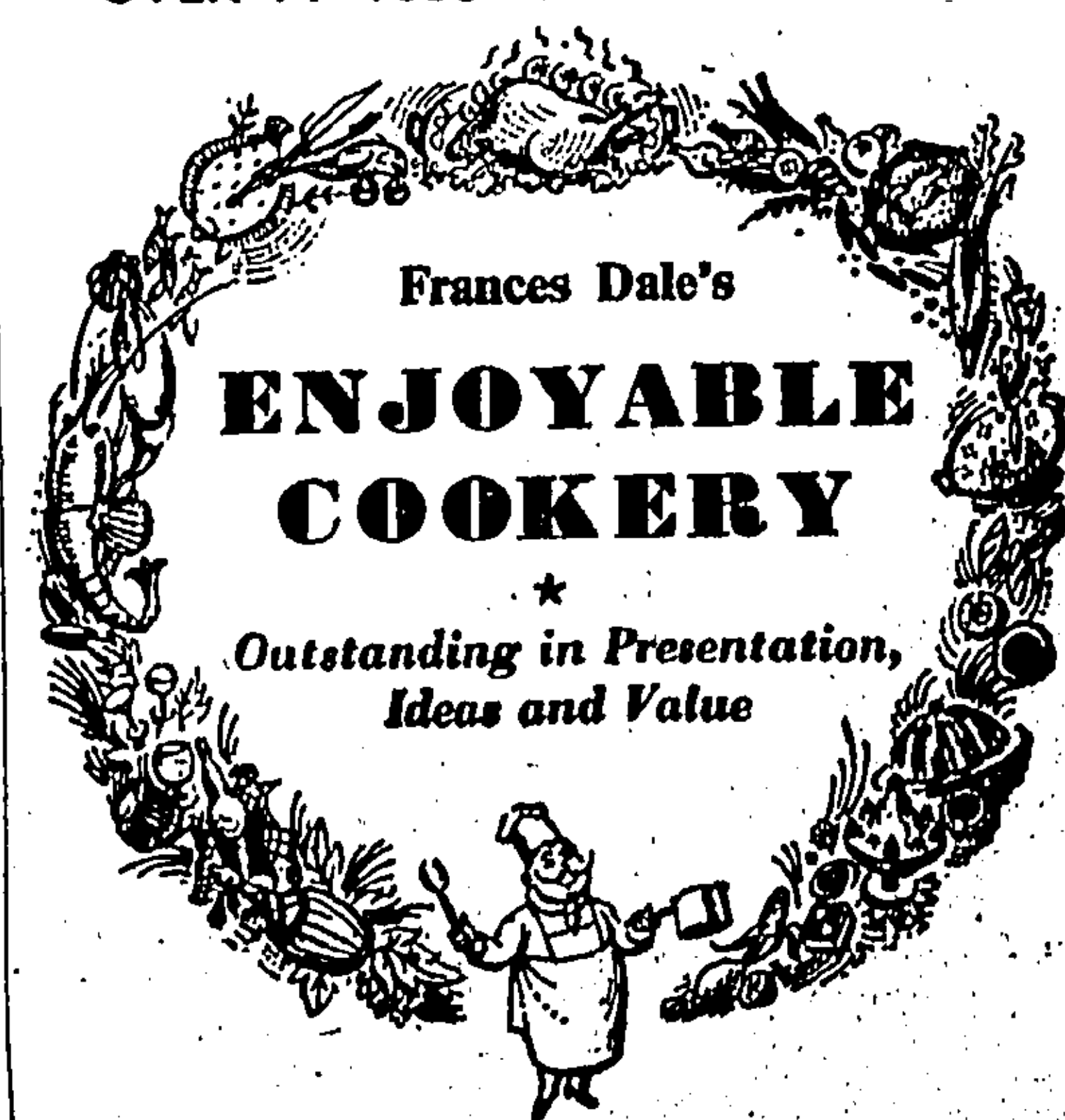
## Duchess Of Kent Has Influenza

London, Feb. 3.

The Duchess of Kent is suffering from a severe attack of influenza, it was announced from her home in Buckinghamshire last night.

Princess Alexandra, who was reported on Monday to be suffering from influenza is making "steady progress" it was added.—China Mail Special.

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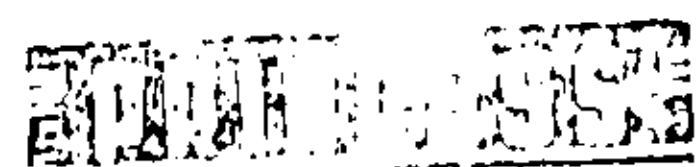
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## QUEMOY WILL BE INVADED

## IF TACHENS ARE LOST

## Nationalist General Gives Opinion

Quemoy Island, Feb. 3.

A high Chinese Nationalist source said here today that if the Tachen Islands fell, the Communists would immediately attack the Quemoy Islands near the big Communist port of Amoy.

General Liu Yu-chang, commander of the Quemoy defence command, told 25 foreign correspondents who visited the island this afternoon that 200,000 Communist troops in Fukien were ready at any moment to launch an invasion against the Quemoy Islands if they had sufficient air and naval support.

General Liu, 52-year-old veteran field commander whose troops successfully covered the evacuation of Nationalist troops from Shanghai in 1949, said the Communists could transfer about 300 Russian-built planes to within easy striking distance of the islands under his command.

General Liu said the Communists would pay a "very heavy price" if they tried to invade the islands.

## HEAVILY DEFENDED

This Quemoy Islands are believed to be one of the Nationalists' most heavily defended strongholds along the China Coast.

A reporter asked General Liu what help he would ask for if the United States came to the defence of the Quemoy's.

He replied: "If I had enough air coverage, that would be enough."

Major-General Yin Tien-chi, Chief Political Officer of the Quemoy defence command, told reporters that the Communists had sent off the Weizao Peninsula, about 30 miles north-east of Amoy.

According to intelligence reports, civilians were not allowed to enter the area, he said. He believed the Communists were building gun positions and strengthening coastal defences there.

General Yin said Communist troop movements in Fukien had been intensified since the fall of Yikingshan.

"We have also sent to the mainland so far about 5,000 agents," he said.

## Vertical Flight Plane Like Glider

Niagara Falls, Feb. 3.  
The Bell Aircraft Corporation today presented a new jet plane, the "Vtol," destined, say the manufacturers, to revolutionise military aviation.

The Vtol is able to take off and land vertically without "sitting on its tail" as do helicopters and its horizontal flight will not be limited to the some 200 miles an hour which, in general, is the speed limit of the helicopter.

The outline of the new plane is that of a conventional monoplane. Two Fairfield J-44 turbo-jet motors are mounted in the fuselage just below the wings and are capable of being pivoted into a vertical or horizontal position.

It has no landing carriage and its fuselage resembles that of a glider. It has no need for support on landing vertically.

For equilibrium control in flight and for taking off, the pilot has a system of compressed air ejectors at the wing-tips and tail which can also be used in horizontal flight.

Some 20 trial flights have already been made but up to present, the engine's axes have not been changed in flight. That operation will be tried soon.—France-Press.

## CZECHS END WAR WITH GERMANY

Prague, Feb. 3.  
Czechoslovakia has ended the formal state of war with Germany, the Czechoslovak radio monitored here, announced today.—France-Press.

## British C'wealth Stabilising Force In World

## —EARL MOUNTBATTEN

Sandhurst, Berkshire, Feb. 3.

Admiral Earl Mountbatten of Burma, now First Sea Lord Designate, told British and Commonwealth army cadets here today that the Commonwealth stood as a stabilising force in a world of crisis.

Lord Mountbatten, who was presiding at a passing out parade at the Royal Military College, said that as co-operation and friendship were imperative between the three fighting services, so it was important "to have excellent feelings between the services of all the countries in the Commonwealth."

The number of Commonwealth cadets training at Sandhurst and the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference in London both symbolised the close knit unity of all Commonwealth countries.

"STABILISING FORCE  
"At this moment of crisis and tension in the world, the Commonwealth stands as a strong stabilising force to which we can all feel very proud to belong," he said.

Lord Mountbatten, resplendent in his uniform of Admiral of the Fleet, with blue Garter sash, stood for an hour without an overcoat on the parade ground in cold wind-driven

soaking rain for the parade of 818 cadets and the presentation of awards.

He was deputising on behalf of The Queen at the traditional "Sovereign's parade."—Reuter.

Looking all head and very little body at present is this Exmoor pony colt born only a few days ago at Maryon, Wilson Park, Charlton, London. He is the offspring of Speedwell and Crackshot, who sired the pony on which Princess Ann is learning to ride. When he is bigger and stronger he will be used to give children rides in the park.—Reuterphoto.

## P.I.-Indonesian Talks Stalemated

Manila, Feb. 4.

The Philippines-Indonesian negotiations on immigrants were stalemated yesterday after an all-day conference lasting till about midnight.

The negotiations were suspended till later to an unspecified date and Ambassador Soekarno Wirjopratomo, Chairman of the Indonesian panel, will fly to Hongkong today.

The Indonesian panel member, Dr Nugroho is returning to Djakarta today.—Reuter.

## Premiers Should Meet Elsewhere

London, Feb. 3.

A Conservative suggested to Sir Winston Churchill in the House of Commons today that conferences of Commonwealth Prime Ministers should be held in places other than London.

The Prime Minister replied: "The meetings of Commonwealth Prime Ministers have always hitherto been held in London."

ARGUABLE  
It is no doubt arguable whether any kind of preference should be shown to a mass of buildings which have stood some time on the banks of a small and sometimes rather shrouded river

London, however, to be geographically convenient and this House without distinction of party is glad and proud to welcome them."

The Member who suggested holding these conferences in other cities than London, was Mr Paul Williams.—Reuter.

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# HEAVY BLOW TO MR FRANCE

A State Drive  
In An Ox-Cart



M. RENE MAYER.  
He holds the Trumps in  
French Assembly.

## Fellow Party Member Will Not Support Government

By Harold King

Paris, Feb. 3.

French ex-Premier, M. Rene Mayer, today dealt a heavy blow to the chance of survival of the Mendes-France Cabinet when he indicated that he would not support the Government in a vital confidence vote on North Africa.

M. Mayer, like M. Pierre Mendes-France, is a member of the Radical Party and is generally believed to hold the Government's fate in his hands.

In face of the heavy attack by opponents of the Premier's economic policies, only the solid support of his own party is considered to give him any hope of victory.

leaders including M. Georges Bidault

2. Influential lobbies representing the beetroot growers and small peasant distillers of spirits who resent the Government's first inroads on their long established privileges.

3. An amalgamation of small and big business interests who want to prevent the long-term economic reforms which the Premier contemplates.

INCREASED PRODUCTIVITY

His economic policy aims at greatly increased productivity and may mean progressive elimination of many one-man business.

It may also mean some state planning for long-term investment and the consequent "interference" with the more conservative policies of many French industrialists.—Reuter.

## Chinese Books For U.S. University

New York, Feb. 3.  
An 820-volume library on the history of Chinese dynasties over 20 centuries was presented to the East Asiatic Library of Columbia University today.

The books are the gift of Columbia Alumni in Formosa. They were presented at a ceremony in the University's Low Memorial Library by Dr. V. K. Wellington Koo, Chinese Nationalist Ambassador to Washington, and Dr. Hu Shih, former Ambassador.

The volumes were photographed from originals by the Commercial Press of Shanghai prior to World War II. They will be kept in a wooden case carved with Chinese ideograms.—United Press.

## Seven-Year Fight For Return Of War Baby

Paris, Feb. 3.

Madame Phelippeau will — perhaps — after a law-suit lasting seven years get back her daughter soon.

She was employed, in 1942, by a hotel housing German troops in Nantes, western France.

"This was the beginning of my misfortune," she says. She was a friend of a resistance leader who asked her to steal arms and documents from the hotel's residents.

But her friend was caught by the Gestapo and had to disclose her part in the game. She was arrested, tortured and sent to Aachen, where she realised that she was going to have a baby. Little Josette was born in jail.

### "DRESS THE BABY"

Madame Phelippeau was later sentenced by Germans to three years' hard labour. One day a guard came and told her roughly, "Dress the baby. I am taking her away."

She tried to fight but was soon overpowered by the guards and the baby was taken away. Through kind Germans she was able to receive news of her daughter who was finally adopted by Frau Schrobaneck, wife of a German soldier, who was unable to bear children.

After the war, Madame Phelippeau tried to trace her daughter. She finally succeeded but her adoptive mother would not part from her. She claimed that there had been a substitution in hospital and that the girl was not actually Madame Phelippeau's daughter.

A blood test proved that she was, Madame Schrobaneck, however, found this insufficient and asked for an anthropological test. In the meantime Madame Phelippeau was able to see the girl. The first time she faints. They could not understand each other as the young girl spoke only German.

### TEST CONCLUSIVE

The anthropological test was conclusive: The 24-page report concluded that blood group, shape of head, skin pigmentation, etc., proved that the girl was really Madame Phelippeau's daughter. The report was sent to the tribunal judging the case and it is likely that she will be returned to her, but the two women will suffer, both the real mother and the adoptive mother who loves the child deeply.—France-Press.



Marshal Tito seen in an ox-drawn cart as he rides through a village on the banks of the Irrawaddy River on the way to the 11th Century Burmese capital of Bagan, 95 miles southwest of Mandalay. His aides can be seen walking behind him. Marshal Tito, President of Yugoslavia, was paying an 11-day State visit to Burma.—Express Photo.

## Turkey's Destinies Joined With The Iraqis

Istanbul, Feb. 3.

The Turkish Minister of State and the Deputy Premier, Fatin Rustu Zorlu, said today that Turkey had "hopefully expected" that the Cairo conference of Arab Premiers "might support the joint decision of Turkey and Iraq" to conclude a mutual defence pact.

Mr Zorlu told the United Press in an exclusive interview that Turkey had hoped for Arab support for such an agreement "in the realisation that such a step would work primarily to the benefit of the Arab countries and certainly to the advantage of the entire free world."

The Deputy Premier added, "The statement issued by Premier Mendès-France prior to the Cairo meeting clearly indicates our effort to bring this essential point to the attention of our Arab friends."

### VERY DISAPPOINTED

"We were very disappointed to see that in spite of all our endeavours and in spite of the advantage which would clearly accrue to the security of the Arab nations from such an agreement, the conference did not reach the positive result."

"Nevertheless, we were happy to learn that among those present at the conference were a certain number of Arab statesmen apart from those of Iraq who had fully realised the value of the Turco-Iraqi agreement for the Arab nations."

Mr Zorlu pointed out that the Turks were "particularly grieved at the propaganda campaign that has been unleashed which tends to impede the aims of the peace front and particularly the aims of the Arab countries and which can only serve the interests of the Communists."

However, Mr Zorlu said that "in spite of these adverse tendencies, Turkey will not falter in following the constructive course which she has taken with Iraq."

"We shall not," he continued, "be deterred from bringing about with Iraq the agreement which will serve the defence of the area, against all aggression from within or without, and we shall continue to co-operate with Iraq with whom we have joined our destinies."—United Press.

## Ancient Tombs Found

Siracusa, Sicily, Feb. 3.  
ANCIENT tombs dating back to the Greek colonisation of Siracusa and the Hellenic period afterwards were discovered here yesterday by workmen excavating in the region of Santa Lucia for the laying of a draining system.

OBJECTS found in one of the tombs were two bronze funeral urns, two ceramic cups with interesting designs, five motifs and several fragments of ceramic ware. Numerous fragments of ceramic ware were also found.—United Press.

## SOAP-SUD BATH CAN SAVE OIL SLICK BIRDS

Bremen, Feb. 3.  
A German veterinary surgeon has discovered that birds contaminated with oil floating in the sea can be treated with a soap-sud bath and enabled to fly again.

The "vet", Dr. Erich Jacob, tried out his experiment with thousands of seagulls and wild duck who were caught in a great sheet of oil off the Isle of Sylt recently.

His four bath—similar to that used by housewives for washing up—cleared their feathers, and the birds were able to fly off none the worse for their adventure.

Previous attempts to help the thousands of unfortunate wild fowl who perish annually in this way had always failed, as chemical products used for cleaning their feathers produced skin irritations from which the birds invariably died.—France-Press.

## New System For The Blind

Mitcham, Surrey, Feb. 3.  
An organist in the parish church here has devised a stenographic system which, he says, is an improvement on Braille and makes reading and playing music easier for the blind.

Mr L. J. Castle, the organist, claims that his system will enable the blind to correspond with those who are not blind. They will do this by writing with an engraving tool.

The writing can be read by normally sighted persons easily because it is based on our Roman lettering, Mr Castle explains, and the raised dots are so spaced that they can be read at a glance without fumbling. Mr Castle experimented with his system last Christmas by including a blind person among the ringers of the Mitcham church bells.—China Mail Special.

## Seal Not Guilty Of Murder

Chester, Feb. 3.

The Chester Zoo authorities have cleared Sammy, male sea lion, of the murder charge of Stella, his companion, who was found dead from natural causes at the bottom of their pool. Sammy has killed two previous wives and a male companion.—China Mail Special.

## No Parcels For Last Christmas

London, Feb. 3.

Mr C. J. Alport, a Conservative Member of Parliament, is to complain in the House of Commons that British servicemen in Korea have not received Christmas parcels sent them last year.—China Mail Special.

## Guarantee For Investor In Philippines

Washington, Feb. 3.

The Foreign Operations Administration today announced that it had issued insurance guaranteeing a total of \$450,000 of an investment made by a United States firm in the Philippines.

This was the first action in Asia under the Agency's guarantee investment programme.

The insured investment is the Rhenish Manufacturing Company of Richmond, California, manufacturer of steel drums, rails and industrial containers.

It received guarantees against:  
1. The risk of being unable to convert local currency into dollars.  
2. The risk of loss through nationalisation and expropriation.—Reuter.

## This Dog Knew Where To Go

Apeldoorn, Holland, Feb. 3.

Many are the stories of canine intelligence. Yet another came to light here today.

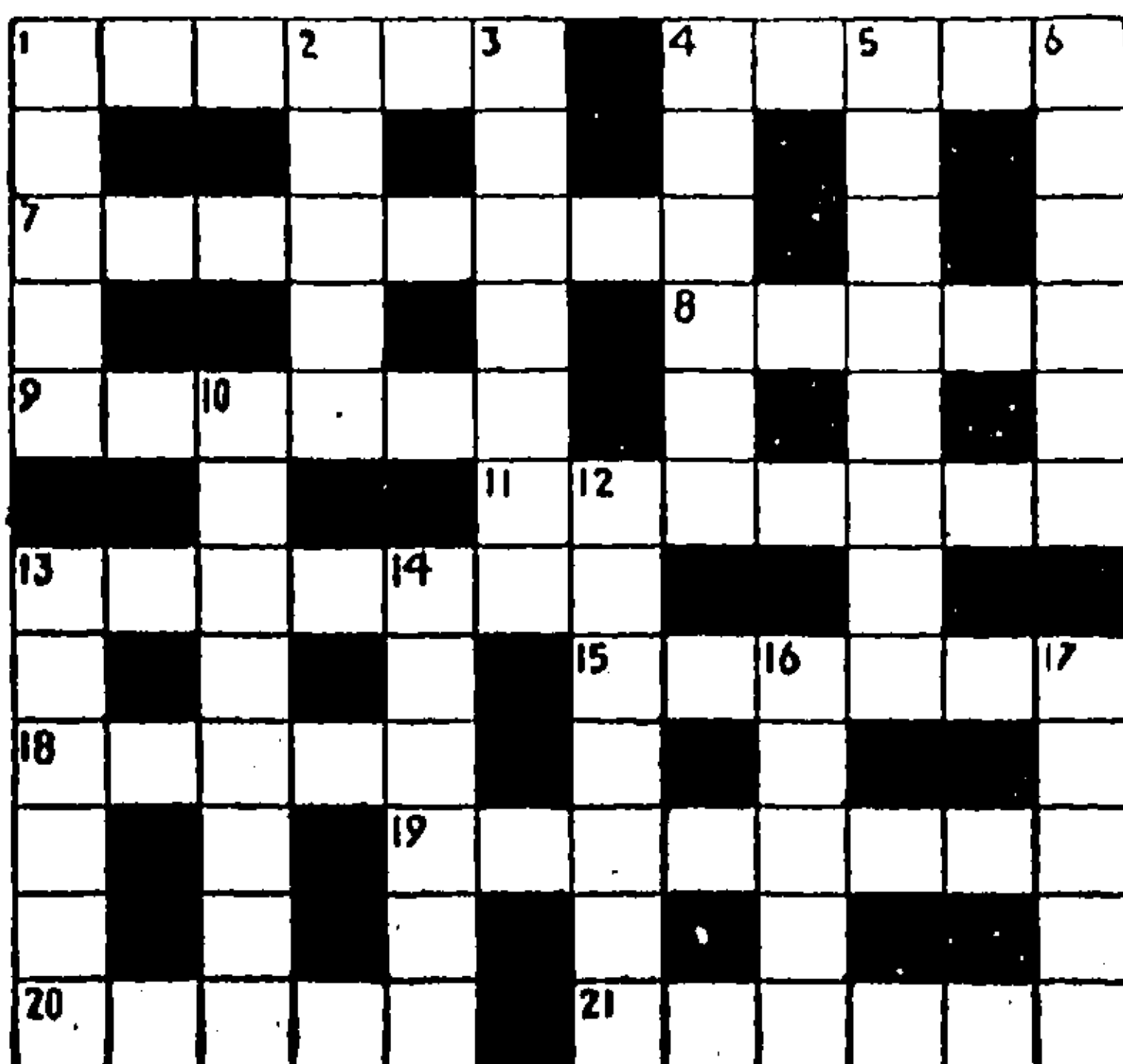
A fox terrier was run over by a motor car here, one of his paws being badly injured. To the surprise of the crowd that gathered, the animal picked himself up and hopped off, bleeding profusely to a nearby veterinary surgeon.

The first his owner knew of the accident was when he read of it in the press. He then went to the veterinary to claim his pet.—France-Press.

Paris, Feb. 3.  
M. Rene Coty, President of the French Republic, and Madame Coty, went to the Town Hall of Paris today to attend the civil marriage of their granddaughter, Francoise Egloff, a fashion designer, to Paul Helary, an army officer.

M. Rene Coty, mayor of the neighbouring 16th arrondissement, paid tribute to the President, and said, "You are a grandfather, and of all your titles, I know that this is the one you value most."—France-Press.

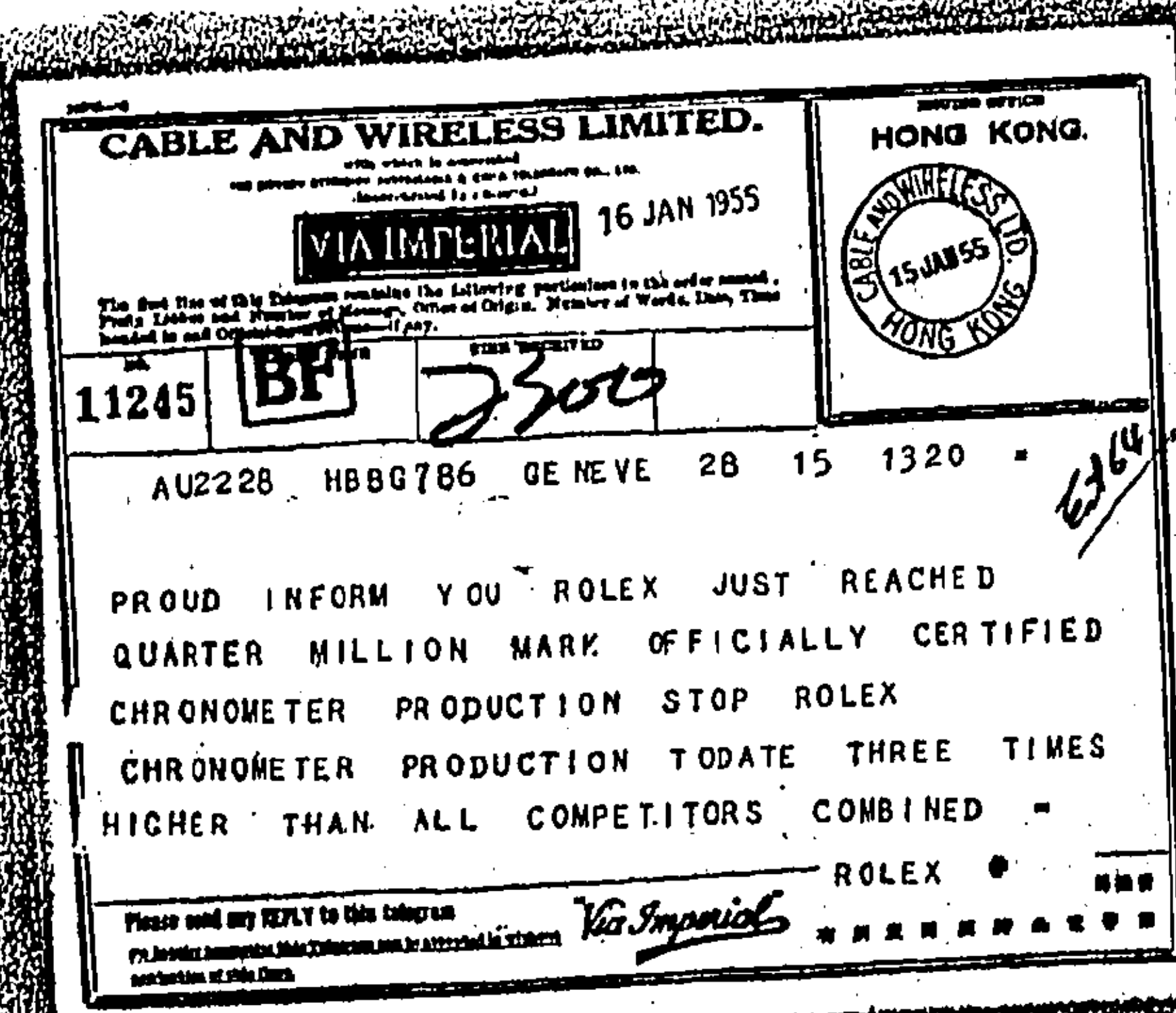
## A British Crossword Puzzle



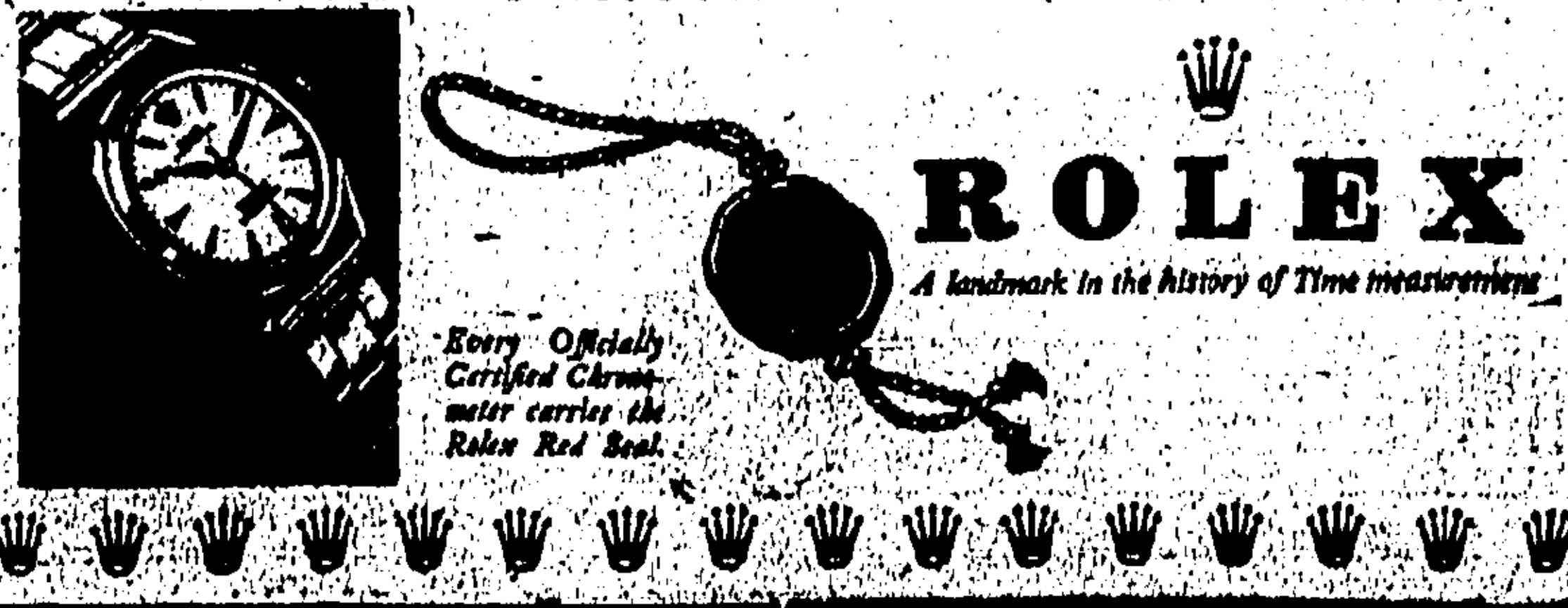
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18 Nominated (5).  
19 Healthy excretion (8).  
20 Subsequently (5).  
21 Bombards (6).

DOWN  
1 Palpitate (5).  
2 Current (5).  
3 Comes back (7).  
4 Deprived of (6).  
5 Praised (8).  
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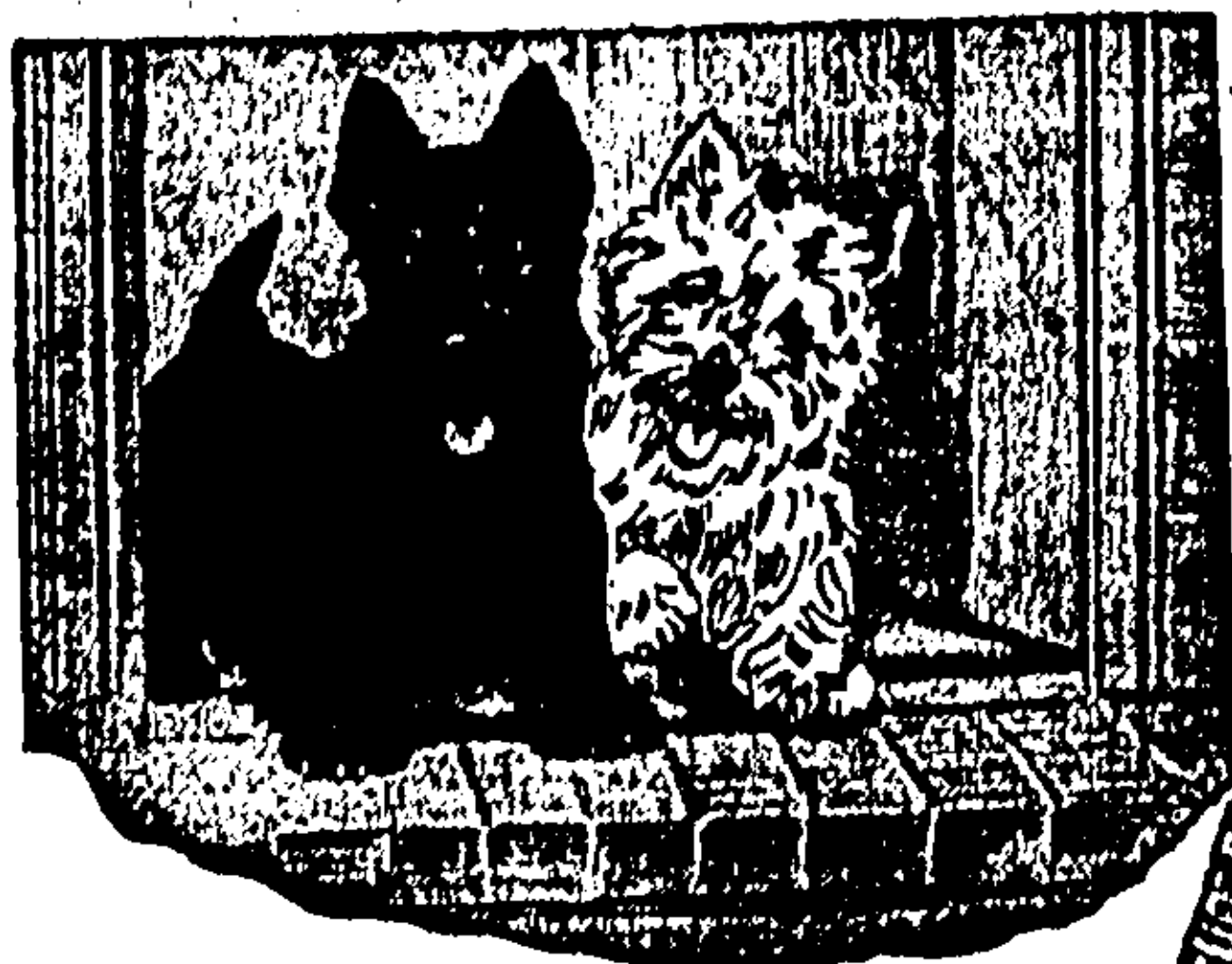
YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Clap, 4 Assist, 8 Acre, 9 Palm, 10 Incline, 11 Paso, 12 Mero, 14 Erasing, 17 Adorn, 19 Bales, 22 Dresses, 23 Vent, 27 Vine, 28 Limited, 29 Rout, 30 Reds, 31 Recedes, 32 Evor, Down: 2 Loaded, 3 Pampers, 4 Arise, 5 Senora, 6 Idles, 7 Ten on, 12 Maid, 13 Role, 15 Laid, 16 Gust, 18 Reverse, 20 Aversa, 21 Enure, 23 Raise, 24 Spine, 26 Sides.



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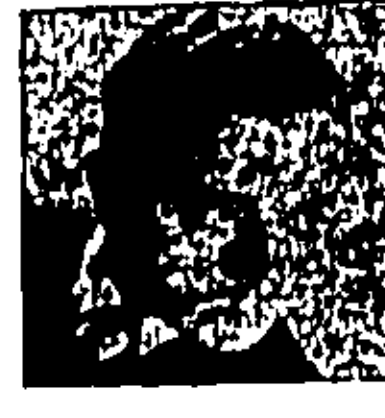
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London Express Service

## Even Actors Are Learning Their Lines This Way

# THEY LEARN WHILE THEY SLEEP

By Dal Stevens

A NEW method of learning while you sleep is being more and more widely used in America today. It is, some scientists believe, a blueprint for the future when school for our grandchildren will not be school in the classroom but school in the inner spring mattress!

The idea is a brain-child of a New Yorker, Mike Sherover, who was chairman of a company that taught people foreign languages by recordings. Always interested in the problem of learning, he was impressed by a statement of a doctor friend that we learnt best when in a relaxed state. When were we more relaxed than when we were asleep, reasoned Sherover.

### SON CHARLES

He experimented first with his small son, Charles. In the small hours of the night while his son slept, Father Sherover began to recite the verses the boy had been set to learn in school. It seemed to promise results but Father Sherover began to get rather concentrated circles under his eyes. He diverted his attention, therefore, to perfecting a phonograph to stand-in for him at certain hours of the night.

Young Charles learnt his poems faster than he had before, so Sherover put his idea up to the University of Carolina. Impressed, the University decided to test a group of students.

The students were told they were being tested with the electro-encephalograph which measures the waves of the brain, and they went to sleep with the machine electrodes attached to their skulls. Nothing was said to them about the experiment of learning during sleep.

Actually the encephalograph was an essential part of the test. Our brains give off different tiny electrical waves when we are awake and when we are asleep. The waves when we are awake are short, sharp and fast. In sleep the waves are slower and lacking in pattern.

When the encephalograph recorded that a student was asleep, a muted phonograph which had been concealed in the pillow began to recite a list of fifteen short words. It recited them monotonously over and over again, thirty times.

The next morning the students who had been

taught in their sleep were tested, together with a group which had not been taught in this fashion.

The two groups were asked to memorize the list of fifteen words while scientists stood by with stop-watches. Those who had been chanted in the night memorized the list in a quarter less time than those who had not.

Other experiments also showed the same satisfactory results. The inner mattress school method may mean a general speeding up in all learning.

### BAD HABITS

The system has possibilities, too, in getting rid of bad habits such as nail chewing. At the College of William and Mary, Dr Lawrence Leshan made an experiment to see if he could cure 20 boys of the habit of nail chewing. While the boys chewed their nails in their sleep the doctor's voice droned away: "My fingernails taste very bitter."

The voice said the one sentence over and over for

600 times every night. Results came after a month when one boy had had enough and stopped. Two weeks later two other joined him, and a week later five more stopped. When the camp closed, eight had lost the habit entirely.

Another practical use of Sherover's discovery of learning through sleep was made by a Hollywood director. He knew that many actors and actresses, being very busy people, could not find time to read much more than their own parts in a film play. He knew also that for a perfectly directed film he wanted actors and actresses who knew every part so they would feel the drama properly. Not without some trouble he persuaded them to have a recording of the whole story of a forthcoming film played to them each night for a week while they slept.

The result of the experiment was a vastly superior performance by all members of the cast.

Ramon Vinay, the Chilean opera star, was a very worried man. With less than a week to go, he had to sing a role in "Carmen" in Italian in the famous opera house of La Scala, and his Italian was poor. He had a heavy Spanish accent, and Senior Vinay feared he would be booted off the stage by the hard-to-please and excitable audience.

## Adam & Eve Had A Word For It, Too

By J. W. TAYLOR

NEWLY-CREATED barons in the New Year Honours have been busy choosing their new titles in readiness for the first of the six-weekly Investitures at the Palace, commencing on February 8.

From way back in the days of Solomon men have been peculiarly preoccupied with names, some having lent theirs to increase and enrich the English vocabulary. Certainly the earliest suggested man-word association of all applies to the "Adam's apple," a term used by most people to describe the projection of the thyroid cartilage of the larynx.

It is said to have arisen during the fateful moment when Adam accepted the forbidden apple in the Garden of Eden. A piece of it stuck in Adam's throat. It is, of course, beside the point if more than one much-married man has since been heard fervently to observe: "It should have choked him!"

Certain aspects of men's and women's fashions have been named from a variety of sources. There was San Pantalone, Venetian saint, who gave his name to pantaloons and, of course, Mrs Amelia Bloomer, of 19th century fame, his female counterpart.

### Black Maria

The United States provides one of the most picturesque titles through Maria Lee, a negress of tremendous strength and proportions, who ran a sailors' home in Boston, Philadelphia. No refractory scoundrel ever got the better of the mighty Maria, who more than once pitched a trouble-maker out into the street, right on his neck. She ruled the place with an iron hand, but a warm and generous heart.

Maria always closely observed the law and so often helped the police trace and capture a law-breaker who might have been a transient at her home that she was eternally glorified in the famous official police mode of transport the "Black Maria".

Founded in 1927, the Oscar, filmworld's coveted trophy awarded for best performances and productions by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, was but a nameless trophy until 1931. One day a newly-appointed librarian to the Academy picked up the trophy and remarked: "It reminds me of my Uncle Oscar." The name stuck.

### That Sandwich

As for that sandwich you had the other day, it found etymological fame from John Montague, fourth Earl of Sandwich. A historian tells us that what led to the Earl thus giving his name was a marathon of 24 hours at the gaming table. His only sustenance were thick slices of meat placed between slabs of toast.

Everyone knows of the ship's pinnace line to mark the point beyond which a vessel may not be loaded down into the water. The name comes from Samuel Pillsbury, the "sailor's friend", who long agitated for the introduction of this load safety mark on ships.

The term "boycott", implying social or other ostracism, dates from the 19th century Captain Boycott. He was the victim of conspiracy by the Irish Land League, which prevented him from making any social contacts in his district.

### THE TRICK

Among those who have been won to the low inner spring mattress method of learning is the brilliant Russian-born airplane designer, Alexander P. de Soversky. He wanted to acquire an American accent in keeping with his newly acquired American citizenship. Each night on retiring and while he slept he had recording of speeches by leading Americans, including Franklin D. Roosevelt, played over to him. It did the trick. The possible long-term detrimental effects on the health of a person learning while he is asleep is still an open question.

## THREE ARGUMENTS TO DEFINE THE RIGHT TO HOLD FORMOSA

By JAMES WICKENDEN

WHO is the rightful owner of Formosa?

This vital legal question will decide the right of the United States to protect the island and possible United Nations action to end the dispute.

Top British international lawyers who advise the International Court at The Hague point out that if Formosa were legally Chinese territory the United States would be intervening in a civil war.

But they explain that Formosa is neither Chinese territory nor the property of Chiang Kai-shek.

The lawyers say there are three possible arguments to define the legal status of Formosa.

1. Formosa was Japanese until the 1951 San Francisco peace treaty. In the treaty, signed by 48 states, Japan renounced sovereignty over Formosa, the Kuriles, and the Ryukyu Islands.

The Ryukyus were ceded to United States trusteeship but no State was granted rule over Formosa and the Kuriles. This meant that at that time Formosa did not automatically become Chinese territory. It belonged to no-one.

Legally it might have become the property of China if a recognised Chinese emissary had formally accepted the island on behalf of his government. This would have fulfilled the Cairo and Potsdam declaration that Formosa should go back to China.

### NO AUTHORITY

But the Chinese Communist regime has never taken this step. They could not because Chiang Kai-shek was already there.

Since the signatory powers to the Japanese peace treaty do not recognise Chiang Kai-shek as the representative of China, he was legally incapable of accepting Formosa for China.

This means that no recognised authority has ever laid claim to Formosa since the Japanese peace treaty.

2. Classical international law recognises that an unoccupied island becomes the property of the first to land on it and declare possession. This might make Chiang the rightful owner. But Chiang has never declared that he was the ruler of Formosa. His claim has been to represent China and that Formosa is part of China.

Also, he has never been recognised by any power to be the ruler of the island. His international status has been only that of head of the Nationalist Government of China, recognised by the United States but not by Britain.

3. At the peace treaty, the title to the island became vested in the 48 powers who accepted Japan's surrender of sovereignty.

These powers, including such diverse states as Cambodia and Haiti, but excluding China, still

have claim to the title of Formosa.

In law the 48 powers have given unwritten consent for Chiang Kai-shek's government to run the island until the question of its final rule has been settled.

Therefore, the title to Formosa still rests with the 48 powers.

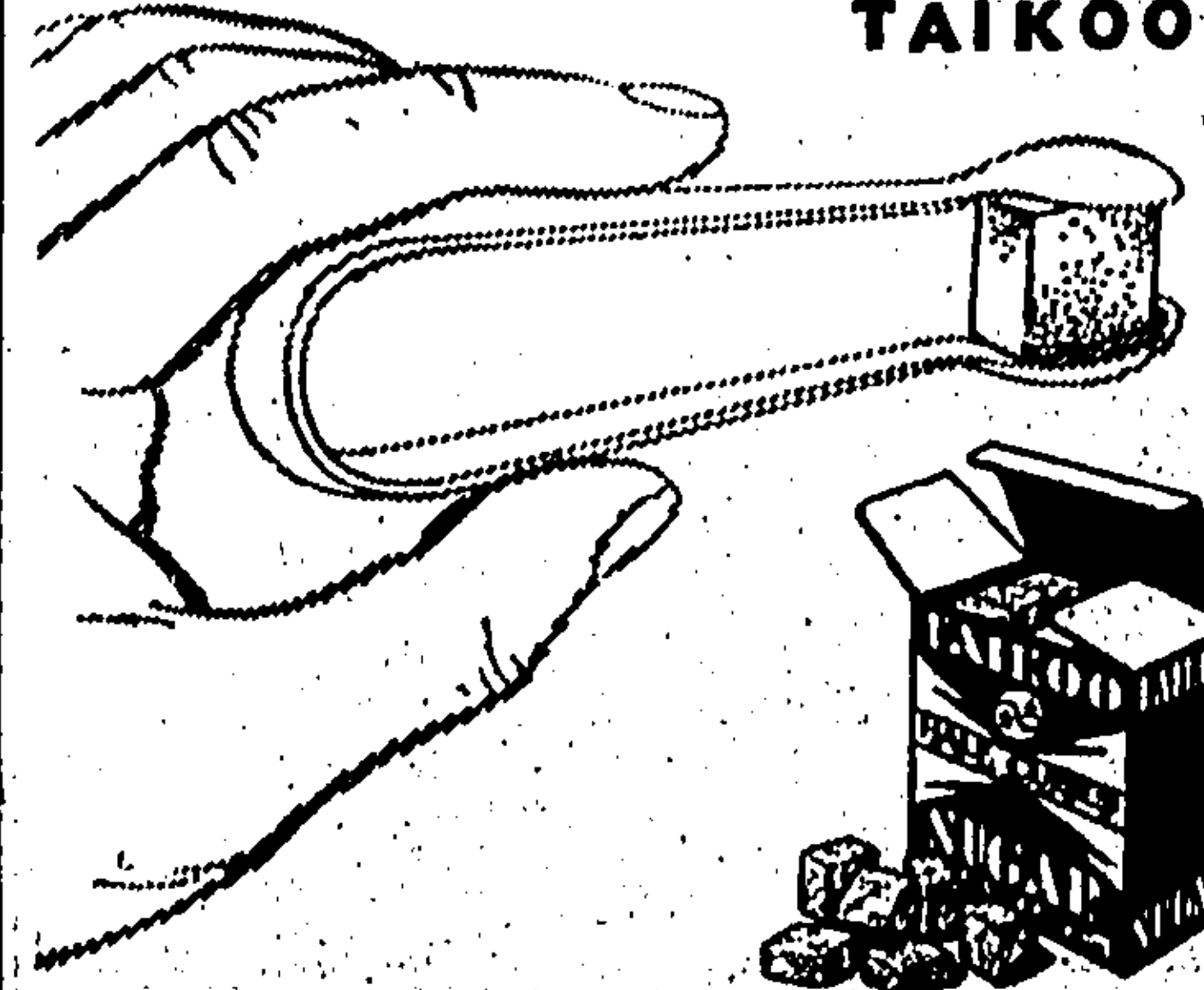
### SOUNDTEST VIEW

The precedent for this case is Turkey's renunciation of Palestine, Trans-Jordan, Iraq, Syria and Lebanon after World War I.

At that peace conference the abandonment of Turkish sovereignty over those territories resulted in mandated rule by Britain. This has subsequently been handed over to local governments.

The third view is the soundest, according to the lawyers. It means that, in law, Formosa can be ruled only by consent of most of the states in the United Nations, excluding India, Yugoslavia, Burma and China, which did not sign the peace treaty with Japan.

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# COLONY XV WIN 5-3 IN A TERRIFICALLY FAST AND EXCITING GAME

By "PAK LO"

In a terrifically fast and exciting game before a large crowd the Colony XV narrowly overcame the visiting Malayan-Singapore XV by 5 points (1 goal) to 3 points (1 penalty goal), yesterday evening under the floodlights on the Club ground.

What a game this was. Better than we have seen for a long time. Two evenly matched teams who from start to finish, neither asked nor were given any quarter.

The visitors were very keen on using the long ball on to the centre of the field where their three were waiting for a quick pass from the wing forward, but alas for them, the throw was seldom caught.

The result of course was a scrum, and here the Colony had a decided advantage. The Malayan-Singapore XV, however, was not to be deterred.

The first kicking of the visitors' wing forwards, however, gave Parkinson, an end of trouble and he received a severe pasting in the process. Parkinson, in this respect, seldom being offside but always getting there so fast that he left the Malayan-Singapore XV's backs looking a more dangerous combination than their opponents.

Marsh, who was second choice for the centre, three positions, played the game of his life and it was his wonderful run which kept the Colony's backs in a state of confusion.

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## SEVEN DAYS A WEEK TO CELEBRATE

Canterbury, Feb. 3. Ye Old Bittern Inn at Canterbury will in future be able to open on Sundays because England retained the cricket "Ashes" with its victory in the Fourth Test match against Australia at Adelaide.

The Canterbury authorities decided today to extend the tavern's present six-day licence to Sundays "in view of the glorious Test victory at Adelaide"—after it had been pointed out that cricket is claimed locally to have first been played in England on the given outside.

The house dates back to 1592. It was said that sermons at the nearby church were so lengthy that people used to bring food and eat it in the churchyard and the parish clerk, deciding to cash in on this set up the tavern to provide them with drinks as well—China Mail Special.



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If you can master the low-draw you will have the secret of most ways of shooting. Do it in this way:

Place a ball on the ground. Stand by the side of the ball with the foot you kick with next to it. Put the instep of your foot behind the ball, with your toe pointing down and your knee well over the ball. Now giving this kicking leg backward and then forward so that the upper part of the instep makes clean contact and sweeps the ball forward. Let your kicking foot follow through in its swing, and remain balanced on your other leg.

### On your toes

NOW stand one pace behind the ball, take one quick step so that you are "standing" at level with the ball. Swing the kicking foot strongly forward. Make sure that your toe is turned down and that at the moment of impact your knee is over the ball.



When you kick it you should feel the blow on the back of your foot. You must keep your balance on the standing leg while your kicking leg swings forward and upward after the ball has left the foot. This is very important.

Now try running up to the ball. Time your last stride so that the best of your "standing" foot comes down beside the ball, and try to get your body well over the ball as your kicking foot sweeps hard at it. Again make sure you keep your balance as your kicking foot swings forward. You can make a little hop with your standing foot if this helps.

### Try angle shots

PUSH the ball forward a little way with the inner side of your foot, and then run up to it from a slight angle and try to drive it. Keep practising until you feel that you are kicking the ball "cleanly" and with power each time.

Try to drive the ball at a right angle, either to right or left.

Push the ball forward, run after it, and just before you

## Two Cup Ties For Nottingham

Nottingham, Feb. 3.

A goal in extra time by local-born Jimmy Jackson put Notts County into the Fifth Round of the Football Association Cup here today.

Their opponents, Sheffield Wednesday, missed a penalty four minutes later and were beaten 1-0 in the Fourth Round replay.

Notts County will be at home to the London side, Chelsea, in the Fifth Round on February 10. Nottingham will have two Fifth Round Cup ties as the other local team, Nottingham Forest, are at home to Newcastle United—Reuter.

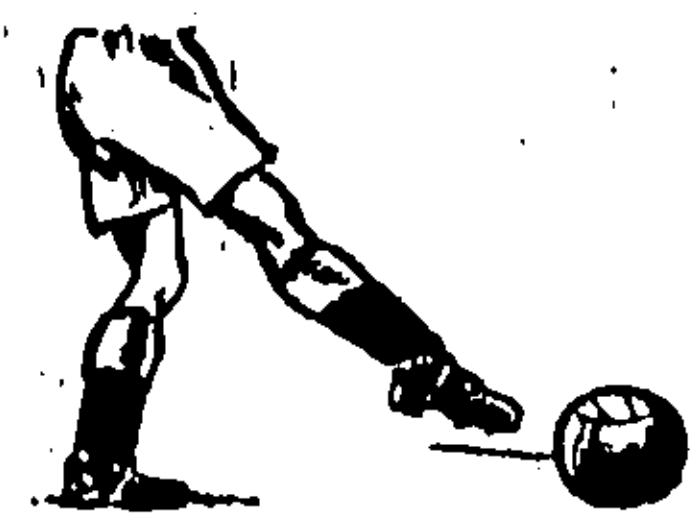
## HKFC SOCCER XI

The following have been selected to represent the Hong Kong Football Club in a First Division league soccer match against the RAF on Saturday, February 5, commencing at 4 p.m.—Lawson, Bishop, Wright, Kinloch, Falconer, Gayne, Paton, McDonald, Delgan, Pickering, Forrow.

Reserves: Jones, Davies, Torrington.

## HOSPITALS' CUP

Guy Hospital beat St. George's Hospital 11-3 in a Hospitals Cup first round Rugby Union match today—Reuter.



reach it if you are going to kick to the left, turn off a little to the right. Come round in a small curve to the left so that as you finish the curve your standing foot comes down beside the ball and points in the direction in which you are going to kick it.

### Hit them first time

NOW try, without stopping it first, to drive back a ball which is coming towards you. Do this with a friend and to increase your accuracy kick the ball to each other up and down a line. The sideline on a Soccer pitch is ideal for this practice.

As you practise this, get gradually farther and farther apart so that you have to kick harder. Don't use the same foot all the time—use the one the ball comes to.

## AUSTRALIAN SELECTORS CRITICISED

Melbourne, Feb. 4.

Australia's selectors are severely criticised by cricket writers here this morning for not including more young players in the party to tour the West Indies, announced yesterday.

Kevin Hogan, Melbourne Sun News Pictorial writer says: "The selectors have shown neither courage nor realism in retaining almost all the old brigade."

The inclusion of two new young players in Peter Burge and Bill Watson was "only a token attempt to rebuild an ageing side that has been humiliated in three successive Test matches against England," he said.

Percy Beames in the Melbourne Age said the selectors had made a gesture to the West Indies rather than tackled the problem of finding new players for the English tour of 1956.

Ten Goodman of the Sydney Morning Herald said the selectors had "confirmed our worst fears." He bemoaned the fact that two promising New South Wales youngsters, fast bowler Bob Crawford and batsman Bobby Simpson, had been omitted.

"How can this team help rebuild Australian cricket?" asked E. W. Kann in the Sydney Sun.

The selectors had lost an opportunity in leaving out up and coming talent, he said. A number of other writers, including notable players of the past, criticised the selectors for their conservatism.

They say it is essential that Australia should develop young players now in order to regain the Ashes in 1956—China Mail Special.

## THE TEAM

Melbourne, Feb. 3. Australia will rely mainly on players who have appeared in the current Test matches against England to tour the West Indies this year.

Only three of the 18 players named have not played in Tests this season. They are the young batsmen, Peter Burge, son of the team manager, J. J. Burge and Willie Watson, and leg spinner Jack Hill. Burge and Watson have never been capped.

A surprise omission is that of Jim Burke, the New South Wales batsman who has played in two Tests against England this season.

Other test players omitted are Graeme Hole and Jim de Courcy. The team is:

1. Johnson, W. Johnston (10)—40 points; S. E. Johnson (14)—40 points; B. R. Barrier (12)—39 points; N. O. Sprunger (10)—38 points; J. C. Brown (10)—38 points.

New Year Ecclectic

C. L. Hill, 73—24=49.

E. B. McBain, 50—11=59.

S. M. Backe, 47—11=58.

R. C. Field, 76—18=58.

# THE SCOTS TOMORROW CAN PROVIDE THE RUGBY SHOCK OF THE SEASON

Says J. R. WATKINS

Wales are firm favourites to beat Scotland at Murrayfield tomorrow. They must not, however, 'count their chickens....' I recall that day in 1951—February 3 to be exact—when a similar state of affairs existed.

Wales were all set to win the Triple Crown. Their journey to Scotland was considered a formality.

Wales did not win the Triple Crown that year. The "formality" turned out to be a humiliating defeat by 19 points to nil, before a 70,000 crowd, at least a third of which were Welsh supporters.

Recent happenings in the Scottish camp do not indicate a repeat performance. Indeed the extent of the selectors' frustration can be best judged by the unusual procedure of staging an extra trial match, following the first international match. Wales, on the other hand, having beaten England, must consider they have a very good chance of coming out on top, not only from this match, but from the season's fixtures.

Wales have strengthened their side by including R. C. Thomas at open side wing forward, while Judd of Cardiff is on the blind side. In the match against England, even though conditions were bad, Williams and Baker, the England halves, were got away with the ball far more easily than they should have done.

ALWAYS A GAP. Bledyn Williams, usually a first class tackler, was missing frequently, with the result that there was always a gap in the Welsh backs.

The Scots are something of an unknown quantity. They have four new caps. One notable feature is that Angus Cameron has been restored as captain. He last led Scotland in the Calcutta Cup match at Twickenham two years ago.

In all seven changes have been made from the side beaten by France.

Smith, Ross and Nichol come into the back division; Elliot, Michie and Glen to the pack. Elliot and Michie will give the forwards added height and weight, while Glen will bring an intelligent liveliness in the open and round the fringe of the scrum in defence.

A lot may depend on whether Elliot can reproduce the goal-kicking form he showed in the final trial. He scored 18 points. Many feel he will not achieve anything like this in an international. But I'm not so sure. Having regained his form, and confidence, he could well be Scotland's match-winner.

The Scottish selectors have made the most of their resources. But improvements will be needed. Top of the list is better heeling from the scrum, the responsibility of Hamish, Kemp and Michie in the second row. They must position their feet so that the ball comes through cleanly and quickly.

If Wales have the same luck as in the game with England; if their problem behind the scrum has resolved itself, and that gap in the backs has been effectively closed, they must take the match. But I plump for the impossible. .... a win for Scotland.

## THE TEAMS

Scotland: A. Cameron (Glasgow H.S.F.P.), captain; A. R. Smith (Cambridge University); M. K. Elgie (London Scottish); J. T. Docherty (Glasgow H.S.F.P.); S. Swan (London Scottish); G. T. Ross (Wales).

## SHEK O GOLF

The results of golf competitions played at Shek O during January were as follows:

Stableford Competition  
"A" section: S. M. Backe (11)—42 points; E. M. Wisely (9)—41 points; H. D. Frantz (8)—38 points; W. P. Colman (10)—37 points; F. C. B. Black (10)—37 points.

"B" section: A. C. Villar (10)—40 points; S. E. Johnson (14)—40 points; B. R. Barrier (12)—39 points; N. O. Sprunger (10)—38 points; J. C. Brown (10)—38 points.

New Year Ecclectic  
C. L. Hill, 73—24=49.  
E. B. McBain, 50—11=59.  
S. M. Backe, 47—11=58.  
R. C. Field, 76—18=58.

## OTHER RESULTS

Here are all the other results: **Bantamweight:** AB Mason (Moderate) beat Sgt. Reid (RAF) on points.  
**Featherweight:** AB Brockway (Moderate) lost to LAC Nevins KO 2nd Rd.; O/S Campbell (Dumpler) beat S.M. Greer (Kanigro) on Pts.

**Lightweight:** SM Swain (Tamar) lost to LAC Kelly (RAF) KO in 1st Rd.  
**Welterweight:** O/S Kirkham (Dumpler) lost to LAC Johnston (RAF) on points.

**Middleweight:** AB Rawlings (Moderate) beat LAC Blake (RAF) on points; Boy Hanson (Moderate) lost to LAC Court (RAF) on points.

**Heavyweight:** AB Schofield (Tamar) lost to LAC Cameron (RAF) on points.  
**Middleweight:** A. B. Harvey (Moderate) lost to SAC Beaby (RAF) on points.  
**Crane KO'd L/Ck. Kingdom (Dumpler) in 1st Rd.**

**Light Heavyweight:** AB Sadd (Kanigro) TKO'd SM Reynolds (Moderate) in 2nd Rd.

## ENGLAND WAS "TOO GOOD" JOHNSON SAYS

Adelaide, Feb. 3. England were "too good," said Australia's captain Ian Johnson today, commenting on England's win in the Fourth Test.

"Australia had no excuses. In Melbourne there may have been some excuse but not here where the wicket was good and we batted first," he added. (At Melbourne England won the Third Test by 128 runs.)

Len Hutton, England's captain, has been flooded with congratulatory telegrams—Reuter.

## THE GAMBOLS



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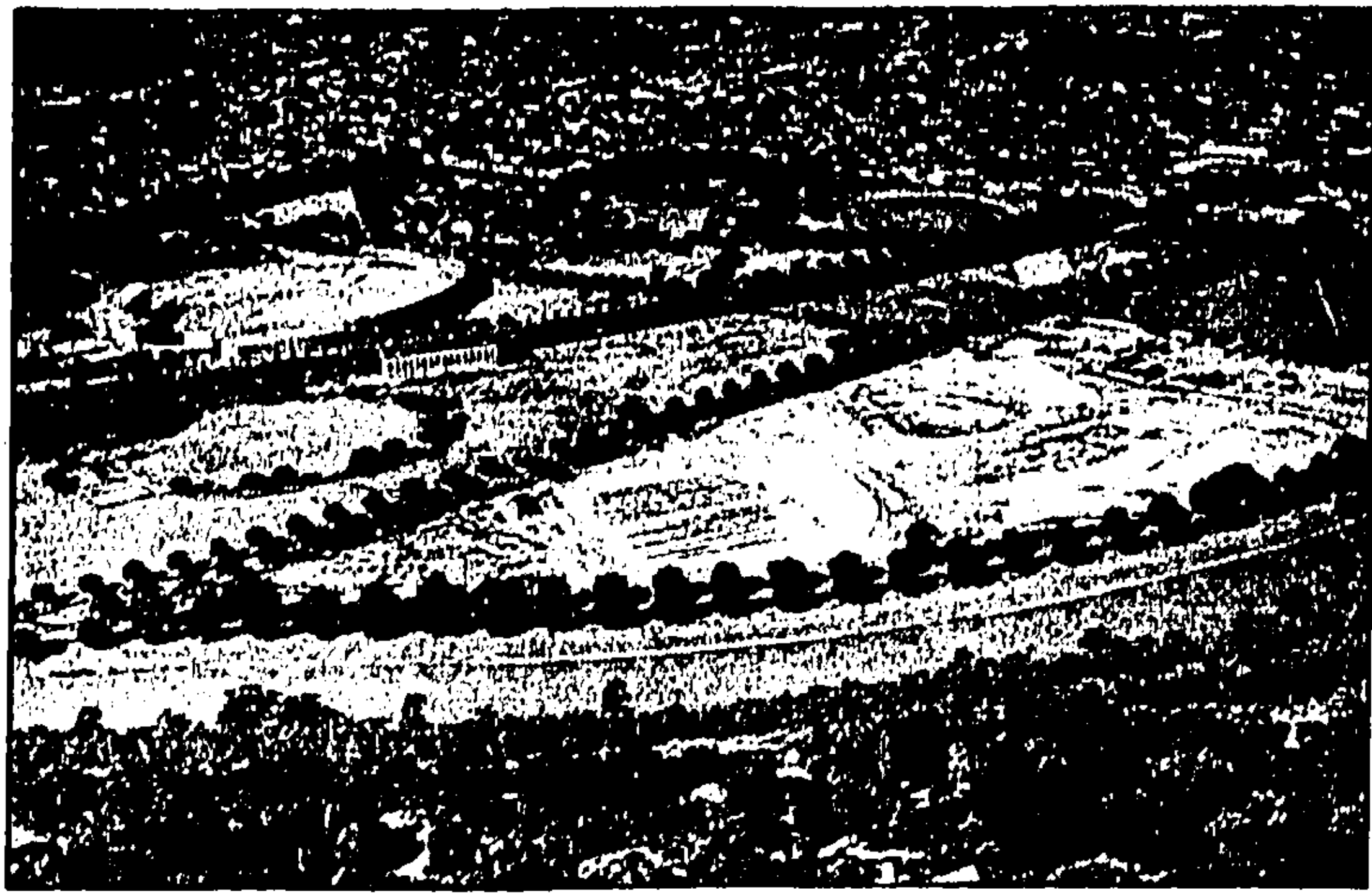
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## OLYMPIC SITES TAKE SHAPE IN MELBOURNE.



The Olympic Games, to be held in Melbourne from November 22 to December 8, 1956, will focus on the Melbourne Cricket Ground, and adjacent Olympic Park. The MCG, situated within a mile of the city, will be the Main Stadium for the Games.

Opening and Closing Ceremonies, athletics and field games and hockey and soccer finals will be held there.

The MCG's capacity is being extended for the Games from 85,000 to 104,000. Nearby Olympic Park, former headquarters of Victorian amateur sport, has been completely re-modelled into Australia's finest sports centre to fit for its 1956 role. It will be the venue for Games—swimming, diving, water-polo, hockey, soccer and cycling.

In addition, two of the three new ovals being built will be used for training. A further big Olympic project is under way at Heidelberg, seven-and-a-half miles out. Here a £A2,000,000 Olympic Village is being built to house over 5,000 international athletes during the Games.

Just outside the heart of the city, The Main Stadium, the Melbourne Cricket Ground, with a new stand under construction, is on the left of this picture. Olympic Park is taking shape in the foreground. Richmond Cricket Ground, teams' assembly point for the Opening and Closing Ceremonies, is at the right rear.

## ASIAN SPORTS REVIEW

## Four More Indian National Athletic Records Fall —154-Foot Discus Throw

India's giant discus thrower, Parduman Singh, the Asian Games Champion, has finally beaten the Asian record in the event held since 1940 by Japan's Eiji Miyagi. In the Indian Army Southern Command Championships at Calcutta on January 28, Parduman reached 154 feet 5 inches (47.06 metres) as against Miyagi's 151 feet 6 1/2 inches at Dalny (Dalren) on May 19, 1940.

Another Indian record went at the same Championships as Bhondwe reached 198 feet 8 inches (60.55 metres) in the Javelin Throw to beat Govind Ram's 198 feet 1 inch set also at Calcutta on December 19 last year.

Another outstanding performance at the Southern Command Championships was a 14.9 seconds victory in the 110 Metres High Hurdles by Shri Chand Ram of the Rajputana Rifles. It was his third sub-15 seconds clocking of the month and he is now his favourite to beat the Asian Games Champion, Sarwan Singh, who has a best of the season of 14.9 seconds made at New Delhi in December.

At the same meeting, Bhag Singh cleared 23 feet 3 1/2 inches in the Long Jump, a mark beaten on the Indian all-time list by only two other athletes, Shadi Lal (23 1/2) and L.T. Bossey (23 1/2).

## CHANGING HANDS?

A very definite threat to the Indian Shot Put title, also held by Parduman Singh as well as the Asian title, is Punjab policeman Ishar Singh who at Patiala on January 19 reached 46 feet 5 1/2 inches (14.15 metres) and also at Patiala, on January 28 reached 46 feet 0 1/2 inches (14.03 metres) to win the PEPSU title. Parduman, apparently concentrating on the discus, is finding the greatest difficulty this season in reaching even 46 feet (14 metres).

With the various State Championships on, track and field athletics has been very much in the spotlight in India in the past fortnight and national records have been falling right and left.

At the Bombay State Championships on January 23, Ronnie O'Brien, third in this event at the last Asian Games, improved the Indian Decathlon record to 5,261 points. An unusual feature of the Decathlon anywhere, O'Brien finished first in all 10 events!

Mary d'Souza, after many years of trying, finally beat Violet Peters' Indian record in the 80 Metres Hurdles with a 12.2 seconds clocking and also won the 100 Metres Dash in 12.8 seconds from the Universities' Champion, Silio Mistry.

Young Stephen d'Souza was content with a 200 Metres victory in a fast 26.0 seconds, a Bombay State record, while Christine Brown, third in the 100 Metres at the last Asian Games, scored a 17 feet 1 inch (5.21 metres) victory in the Long Jump and a 4 feet 7 1/2 inches (1.415 metres) victory in the High Jump.

An auspicious return to athletics was made at the Bombay State Championships by Lavy Pinto, double sprint winner at the First Asian Games and Olympic semi-finalist in the 100 Metres, who missed the Manila Games as a result of an attack of typhoid.

An Indian has finally managed to keep pedalling along for 100 hours on a bicycle non-stop. At Jamshedpur on January 27, Abdul Azim Khan broke the All-India endurance cycling record by staying astride for 100 hours 28 minutes. The old record of 99 hours 5 minutes had been held by himself.

**"THE LEGS" AGAIN**  
Atsuko Nambu, daughter of Japan's one time world record holder in the Long Jump (20 feet 3 inches) and Olympic Champion in the Hop, Step and Jump, Chubel Nambu, is one of four Japanese athletes to be selected to compete in the Philippines Track and Field Championships in Manila.

No more popular choice could have been made as Atsuko was quite definitely the Pin-Up Girl of the Second Asian Games and the Manila newspapers' ran scores of close-ups of her, particularly of her famous legs. Captions simply state "The Legs" and no one in Manila

## AROUND HOLLYWOOD

## MR WAYNE CAN STAR IN HIS OWN MOVIES IF THE EMERGENCY ARISES

By MICHAEL RUDDY

John Wayne, partner with R. Fellows in Batjac Productions, has a decided advantage over other movie producers in Hollywood. In an emergency, he can star in his own movies. This he's doing now in "Blood Alley," which became a sanguinary mess, according to Wayne, when Robert Mitchum disagreed with director William Wellman, the wrong man to disagree with at any time, became obstreperous, and was sacked by Mr Fellows.

With a \$2,500,000 production sitting expensively in San Francisco, Batjac desperately tried to get Humphrey Bogart, Gregory Peck, Fred MacMurray, Clark Gable, Robert Ryan or Cornel Wilde to replace Mitchum whose horseplay had disrupted filming.

Getting \$150,000 for the film, co-starring with Lauren Bacall, you would have thought that the droopy-eyed actor, in previous scrapes, would have behaved himself.

No, sirree. So Wayne, just finished in "The Sea Chase," and on his honeymoon with his third wife, Pilar, decided he'd do the job himself. He was back from New York, studied the script for three days, altered Mitchum's wardrobe to fit, and he's now combining star-producer duties.

"We just couldn't waste any more time," Wayne said to me on the phone. "It costs \$12,000 a day to have a movie troupe sitting on location."

For the record: Jack L. Warner, putting up the cash for this Batjac Production, did not want Robert Mitchum as the star.

This is the third time Wayne has replaced other actors. He substituted for Greta Garbo in "Hallelujah" and for Spencer Tracy in "The High and the Mighty." As for Mitchum—no comment when he returned to Hollywood. Later, "A practical joke was exaggerated." He apparently forgot that William Wellman, the director, chose him for the lead in "G.I. Joe" in 1944, his first break.

**SHEREE TAKES OVER**

Ask for Marilyn Monroe at Twentieth Century Fox studios and you'll be told that Marilyn isn't round there any more. Her boss, Darryl Zanuck, suspended her when she refused to report for "How To Be Very, Very Popular," a confection which concerns a dancer in a San Francisco burlesque hall who runs afoul of the law and hides out in a girls' college.

MMMM's replacement is a bouncy blonde, Sherree North, who was put on contract a year ago when MMMM balked at "Pink Tights," a remake of "The Bowery." Sherree gets

## Admira FC Of Austria Trim Singapore 5-0

Singapore, Feb. 3.

The Admira Football Club of Vienna scored a convincing 5-0 victory in their opening match here against a Singapore Combined XI yesterday.

The Austrians displayed the typical continental game of short passes and their forwards moved at great speed with a fine degree of accuracy. There are seven international class players in the Austrian team.

The visitors opened their scoring through centre-forward Ceyka in the 16th minute. Two minutes later inside-right Richter put in the second goal from a wing pass.

Singapore tried hard in the second half but had positioning and hesitation to shoot in front of the goalmouth caused many chances to fitter away.

When the steam of the Singapore attack subsided, the Austrians swarmed into the Singapore area and left-winger Hofar scored another three goals.—United Press.

## Dorians Ladies' Hockey Teams

The following will represent the Dorians in tomorrow's hockey matches:  
Dorians "A" v. Revere "A" at King's Park at 3.45 p.m.—L. Lim, E. Leonard, N. Hill, A. Oel, B. Greaves, M. McInnes, P. Kent, D. Madgett, P. Bliss, M. Fincher, V. Churn and A. Rheinisch.

Dorians "B" v. Services at Boundary Street at 2.30 p.m.—D. White, N. Carvalho, D. Madgett, T. Franco, T. Tonkiss, P. Rheinisch, E. Jacobson, D. Werner, L. Phoon, L. Rheinisch, V. Gonzalez and W. Yeo. Reserve: J. Kent.

## American Zone Thomas Cup Tie

Los Angeles, Feb. 3.  
The Thomas Cup matches between the United States and Canada for the American Zone Badminton Championship would be played in Winnipeg on March 11 and 12, it was announced.

The winner will meet the Asian Zone Champions in Malaysia on May 31. Matches between the winner in Malaysia and the European Zone winner will decide the team which will challenge the "International" Champion Malaysian team for the Thomas Cup trophy and the world title.

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No. 4 Orders by the Hon. C. E. Terry, Commissioner, Civil Aid Services of February 4, 1955.

1. Courses. (a) The Chief Warden congratulates the undersigned on successfully passing the examination in First Aid by St. John Ambulance Association:

Mongkok Zone—30287 Leo Lai-kuen, 31289 Mooney, P.C., 31370 Tong Yiu-man, 31406 Law Kwong, 31512 Chiu Shing-ye, 31568 Chan So-kuen, 3204 Chan, P., 32068 Lam, 32097 Yee Chun-long, 32240 Lal Ka-ming, 32248 Chan King, 32287 Lau, 32289 Lau, 32300 Chan-tok, 32370 Ip/Chai-ye.

Yau-mai Zone—30143 Chan Wing-chuen, 30170 Lau Pak-kin, 31177 Leo Kwan, 31240 Ling Kwan-pang, 31480 Kwong Chan-ming, 31569 Lau Chun-ling, 31748 Ng Kwong, 31774 Kwok Kan-shing, 31877 Chiu So, 31924 Yeung Sai-chung, 32118 Yuen Ka-chai, 32120 Yuen Kwong.

2. Issuance of Books.—Books issued to members of the C.A.S. will be handed in for repair as soon as they show signs of wear, and not until they are beyond repair.

Books for repair will be properly labelled showing the member's number, name and Zone/Unit and handed to the Stationkeeper at Headquarters.

3. Wearing of Uniform.—Personnel are reminded that uniform (including footgear) may only be worn on duty and at no other times without written permission from Headquarters.

4. Issuance of Cards.—All enrolled personnel are given a C.A.S. Identity Card for a Temporary Card, which is carried at all times while engaged in training or operations, and must be presented on demand.

These cards must be carefully guarded, and the loss of a card must be reported at once to the nearest Police Station by the member concerned, and to the Chief Station Officer by the Zone Warden or Unit Controller.

5. The use of a C.A.S. Identity Card by any person other than the person to whom it is issued, or for any purpose not authorized by the Commissioner, Civil Aid Services, is strictly forbidden and will be dealt with most severely.

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C. E. Terry, Commissioner, Civil Aid Services.



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## Peruvian Legislators Lose Their Immunity

Lima, Peru, Feb. 3.

Three Peruvian legislators were deprived of their immunity today to be tried for their alleged participation in a revolution which was thwarted by the Government recently.

The movement was headed by a former Prime Minister, General Zenon Noriega, and the Government charged that Senator Alejandro Roel and Deputies Enrique Miro Quesada and Edmundo Noriega, the General's brother, were implicated.

The loss of his immunity meant that Senator Roel can be arrested now. General Noriega, his brother and Deputy Miro Quesada are in exile abroad.

Both Chambers Congress also passed today separate resolutions supporting the Minister of the Interior for the awarding of the revolution.

## Backward Facing Seats In All Aust. Planes

Melbourne, Feb. 3.

Australia is to make the fitting of backward facing sliding passenger seats compulsory in the interests of safety, it was announced here today.

Sir Richard Williams, Director-General of Civil Aviation, said that all new commercial aircraft coming into Australia after January 1, 1957, would be fitted with the seats.

From that date, all existing Australian domestic commercial aircraft would be gradually converted.

He said experts found this method of flying gave three times more protection to passengers in the event of a crash. — China Mail Special.

## Alleged Spies Captured

Paris, Feb. 3.

Two spies in the pay of American intelligence have been captured in Bulgaria. The Bulgarian Telegraphic Agency said tonight.

Their names were given as Christo Nestorov, who was killed when captured and Milin Ivanov now awaiting trial. The two men were accused of parachuting into Bulgaria from Greece after training received from an alleged American agent named Radley.

The agency claimed their job was sabotage against the People's Republic of Bulgaria and the recruiting of new spies. — France-Press.

## N.Z. Is After The American Tourist Dollars

Auckland, N.Z., Feb. 3.

New Zealand is wooing the American tourist — and his dollars. She wants the tourists' money to buy American goods.

Encouraged by recent holidaymakers who have said: "You have the greatest little country in the world. Why don't you let the world know it?" New Zealand feels that she can give good value to her United States guests.

The biggest single obstacle to an increasing flow of American tourists has been the lack of first class hotel accommodation. But recent developments are putting an end to that.

The Government's eyes were on North America when its Tourist Department built a £200,000 hotel at Milford Sound, in the South Island's lake district, considered by visitors to be one of the most beautiful places in the world.

## NEW PLAN

Again, the Government looks east across 6,000 miles of the Pacific Ocean in planning a new £300,000 hotel at the Franz Joseph Glacier, in the Southern Alps.

In the North Island's thermal wonderland, a "must" on every tourist's itinerary, new hotels and the modernisation of existing ones are being planned in accordance with American ideas of comfort.

New Zealand wants dollars and she wants to earn them.

by trade and from satisfied tourists.

Her high claim among world tourist resorts is based on a great variety of natural beauty and a mild, equable climate favouring outdoor activities. These attracted 14,000 overseas visitors in the year ended March 1954.

The country's attractions lie within a relatively small compass. The three main islands are roughly equal in area to the British Isles. Roads are generally very good and excellent coach, aeroplane, train and shipping services meet most requirements.

The country varies from flat plains to rugged, glacier-clad ranges and snow-covered peaks. There are fine beaches, magnificent fjords and beautiful harbours.

## NO SNAKES

New Zealand has no snakes or dangerous animals. But she offers good shooting as wild pig and deer abound, as well as duck, swan, quail and pheasant. Her fishing, river and deep-sea big game is unrivalled.

The North Island's thermal regions are perhaps the best known physical features—boiling mud, geysers and steaming pools, therapeutic hot springs and mineral waters in various localities. And there are the three neighbouring volcanoes, fiery Ngauruhoe, and semi-active Ruapehu and Tongariro.

There is also a man-made phenomenon, at Wairakei, where drillers have put down numerous bores to tap steam for New Zealand's first geothermal heavy water and electricity plant.

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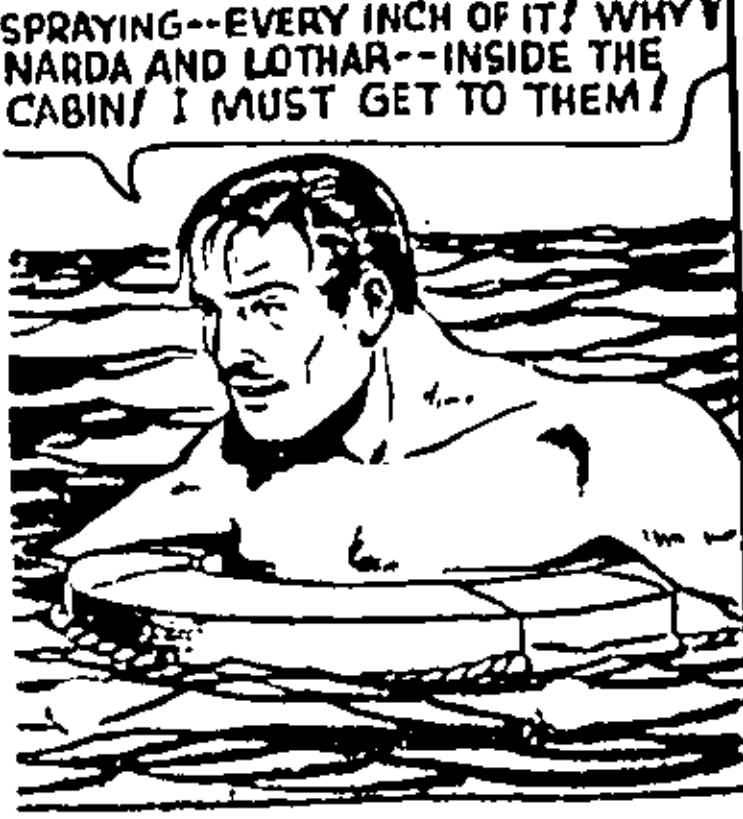
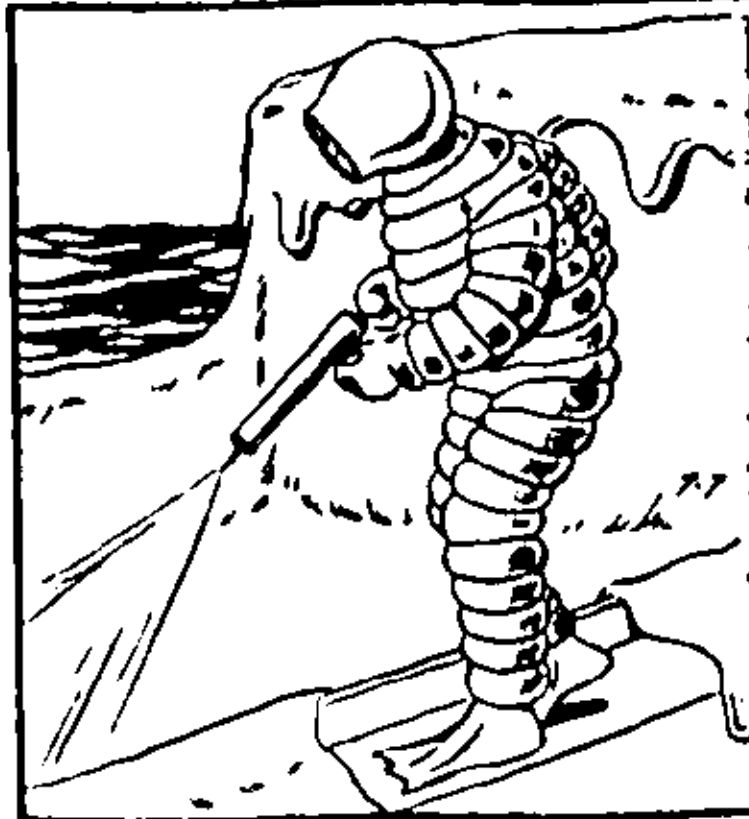
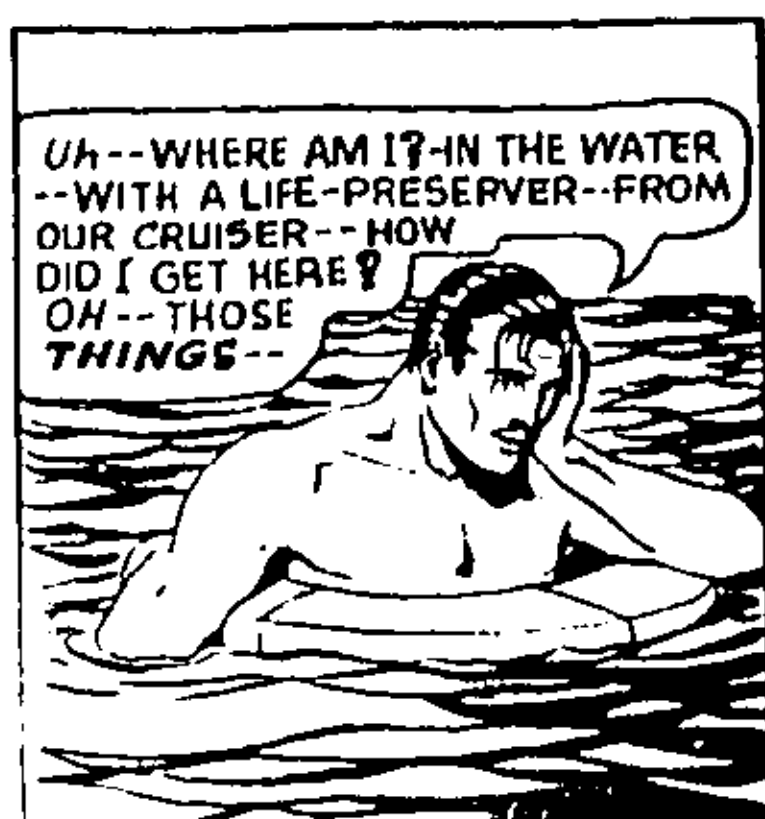
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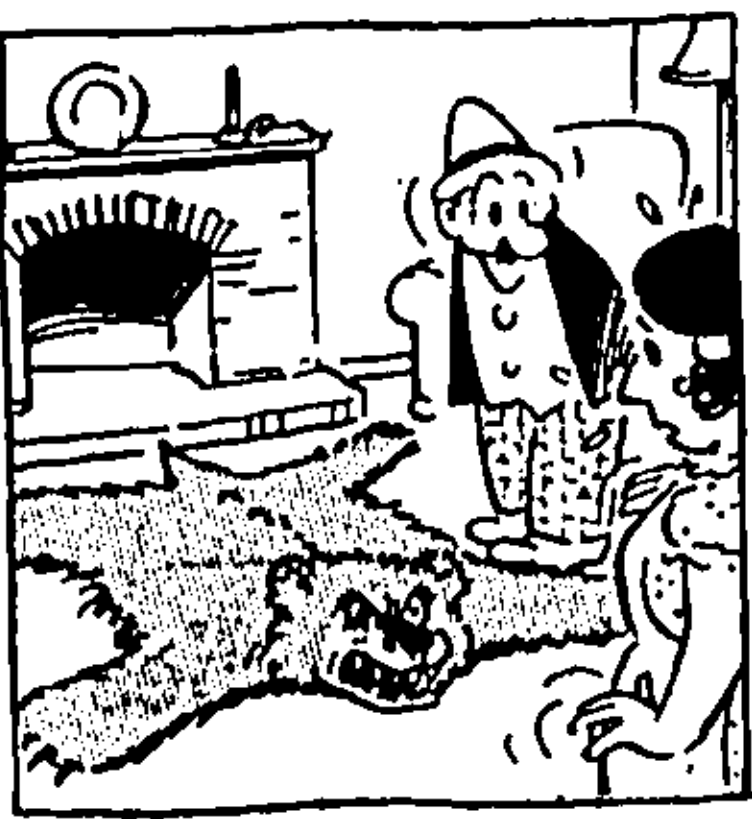
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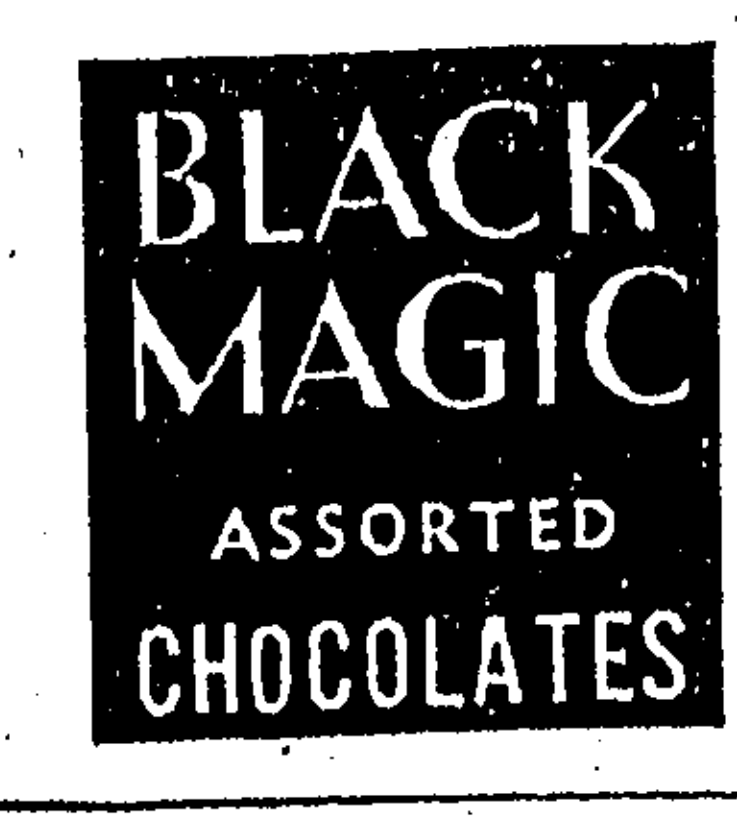
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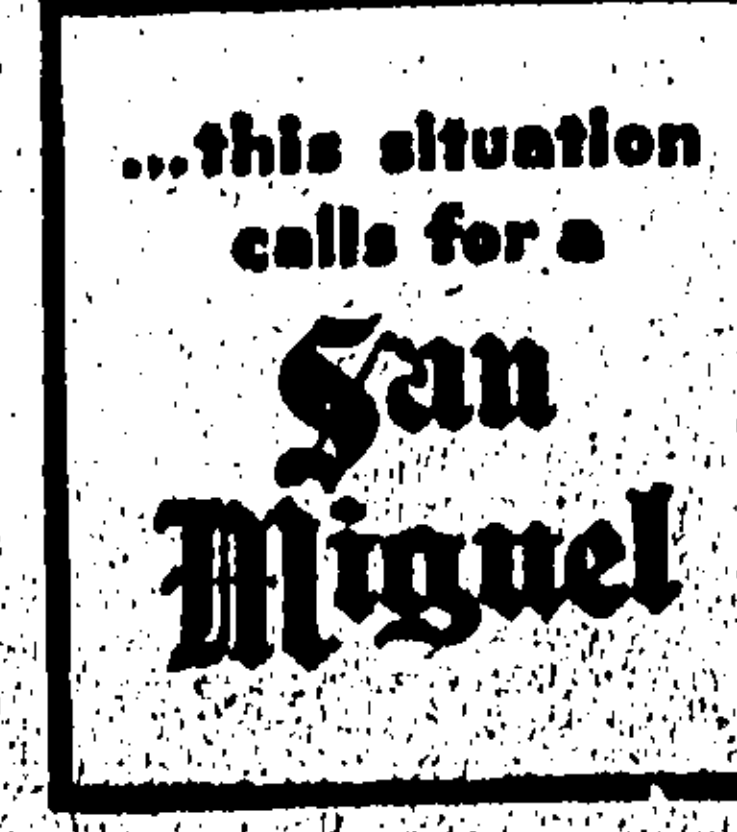
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## Coast Guard Patrol Golden Gate

San Francisco, Feb. 3.

The United States Coast Guard is conducting an around-the-clock patrol outside the Golden Gate.

Twelfth Coast Guard District Headquarters disclosed yesterday that the patrol has been under way since last May. Three newly built 95-foot cutters are rotating on 24-hour duty.

The boats have instruments to detect radioactive materials aboard ships, according to Captain John T. Stanley, Coast Guard Port Captain.

The patrol craft normally range from Mile Rock to Bonita Point just within the Golden Gate channel, but could intercept suspicious ships farther out to sea, if necessary.

Similar patrols are in operation at Seattle and Los Angeles, and will be extended to San Diego this summer. — United Press.

## Rockets To Stop Avalanches

Vienna, Feb. 3.

Rocket-firing ramps, capable of dispersing snow masses before they hurtle down the mountains as avalanches, are shortly to be installed in danger spots in the Tyrol and Vorarlberg areas, it was reported here today.

The ramps, which can fire at three to four thousand metres distance, will be strategically placed to protect villages most threatened by avalanches. — France-Press.

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## JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

### William's Investment

WILLIAM came up to London from a city in the West Country. All the money he possessed he invested in the rail fare. A good investment, William reckoned, for he was on his way to a job that would pay him £10-plus a week.

All would have been well for William but for a slight miscalculation in his reckoning. He arrived in London late one evening, in plenty of time to start in his new job at eight o'clock on the morning following. But he forgot to leave himself money enough to pay for that night's lodging.

#### MOMENT OF TRUTH

THE moment of truth struck William when he reached Paddington, but he shrugged it away and thought to himself: "For one night I can rough it, and in the morning they'll give me an advance on my pay." He strode away from the station to meet the long night hours.

The weather was against such an enterprise, and by the time William reached the West End he had had enough on roughing it. He asked the way to the nearest police station.

There he put his problem squarely before the duty officer. "Yes, there's a place you can go where you don't have to pay," the officer said, and named an address in Peckham.

#### THE SPIKE

"BUT that's the same as the workhouse, isn't it?" William asked. He had heard of the Peckham address before. "They don't let you out of there till half-past seven in the morning, do they?" he stated, rather than asked. "That's no good to me. I've got to start work at eight."

"Sorry," the officer said. "That's all I can suggest." William's welcome ran out, and, taking the hint, he left in the cold street an ancient idea occurred to him. He found an empty milk bottle on a doorstep and, armed with it, marched to a telephone kiosk, where he smashed a small pane of glass. In the quiet, small hours, the crash sounded tremendous. William stood still, waiting for hurrying footsteps, waiting to be arrested.

#### CONFESSING

NO footsteps sounded, no one came near. William walked back to the police station, confessed to his crime, and then accompanied a policeman to the scene to prove he had committed it. These formalities over, William was arrested.

At Bow Street, a few hours later, William pleaded guilty to wilfully damaging a pane of glass valued at 15s., and his story was told to the magistrate, Mr. E. G. Robey.

"What do you want to say?" Mr. Robey asked William. William's reply was framed almost as a protest. "What's the good of going to the spike, let me out in time to start work?" he asked.

The magistrate called in Mr. Haines, the probation officer. "EXPENSIVE NIGHT" "H" could have got a note from his employers," Mr. Haines said. "If he had shown that to the institution, he would have been allowed to leave at any time after 5 a.m."

"Is the job still open?" "I will make some discreet inquiries," Mr. Haines said. "Yes, they'll have to be discreet," the magistrate agreed. Presently, Mr. Haines returned to say that William could start work next day.

The magistrate turned to William. "I'm glad you still have the job," he said. "But you'll find last night an expensive night's lodging. You must pay 20s. fine and 15s. for the damage you did. I will give you seven days in which to pay."

"Yes, sir. Thank you, sir," William said, and marched off towards the promising future, in which he had so heavily invested.

### Emergency Talks

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But there is no indication how the United States would feel about such a proposal—and the attitude of Nationalist China is even more unpredictable.

Nor has there been any indication that Communist China would agree to discuss in any form a question which she said is entirely her own business. The United States Ambassador here, Mr. Winthrop Aldrich, today called on Mr. Nehru on his own initiative. Both American and Indian sources described this as a "courtesy visit."

The Formosa question was discussed between them informally but only in general terms and neither put forward any proposals.

Though most of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers were disappointed at China's reaction it was not entirely unexpected, except for its uncompromising tone.

Some had thought that Communist China might make a serious counter proposal. The least surprised was the Indian delegation, which had expected Communist China to agree to discuss the New Zealand move.—Reuter.

### Constabulary Promotions

H.E. the Governor has approved the following appointments in the Hongkong Special Constabulary, it was announced in the Government Gazette today: Mr. George Tung Fung-lee (Inspector) to be Assistant Superintendent of Police (Special); Messrs Gordon Hul Sal-fun (Sergeant) and Karlum Shum (Corporal) to be Acting Assistant Superintendents of Police (Special).

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## Ingrid Revisits Her Home Country



### Children Dance For Princess

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Feb. 3.

Princess Margaret today saw the bongo bongo and bel air, hip-swinging dances, performed hilariously at a rally attended by 30,000 school children.

The bongo bongo was danced by 100 primary schoolboys in straw hats, candy-striped pirate jerseys, white trousers and canvas shoes.

They danced with gusto before the royal visitor at the Queen's Oval Cricket Ground in Port of Spain. Princess Margaret spent an hour there before sunset.

She smiled broadly at the bongo bongo, which is danced at wakes to ensure a "happy crossing" into the next world for the dead.

The bel air, something of a minuet, was carried out with twirling by 100 schoolgirls clad in coloured head scarves, long flowing robes, gold earrings and chains. The dance was imported from Martinique, Guadeloupe, and other French islands.

The Princess was to be guest of honour at a State banquet in Government House tonight attended by members of the royal entourage and island leaders.

Princess Margaret, who wore an orchid pink and pale grey flowered silk dress, with a close fitting straw hat in grey with tiny pink flowers, obviously enjoyed the children's rally.

The weather has been kind. The start of the State drive was marred by rain but the sun came out later.—Reuter.

### Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. Time Signal and Programme Summary: Feb. 3, Children's Half Hour presented by Joan and Valerie (Studio); 6.30, Pop Song Parade; 6.45, Weather Report; 7.00, Time Signal and News (London Relay); 7.05, Special Announcements; 7.15, Artist of the Week—Arthur Honegger (Piano); 7.30, Weekly magazine devoted to the Arts Edited and Introduced by Jack Tomlin. Books Reviewed: Frank King, Introduction to American Politics by D. W. Brogan. Pub. by Hamilton at 2s. Politics in Post War France by P. Williams. Pub. by Longmans at 3s. Price Control in Hong Kong by E. M. Kerrick. Pub. by K. Wells. Father Ryan talks about the new Groves Musical Dictionary and musical reference books in general; 8. Interlude; 8.05, Short Story: "The Capitalists" by John Moore Read by Philippa Coombes (Recorded); 8.20, Bebe Daniels and Ben Lyon in "Life with the Lyons" (EBCB); 8.25, "A Ghost in the House" (BBCB); 8.30, Time Signal and Music (London Relay); 8.35, Goodnight Melody presented by John MacLean (Studio); 8.40, Ceylon Independence Day. The Prime Minister of Ceylon, the Hon. Sir John Kotelawala discusses questions put by Richard Gold Adams of the Economist (Recorded) 10.30, 10.15, Boulevard Cafe; 10.30, The 1955 Hong Kong Automobile Association Motor Rally. Recorded Extracts made on Car No. 47 on the Circuit. Comments by John MacLean. Tests at the Jockey Club. Programme edited by Timothy Birch (Recorded); 10.50, Weather Report; 11, Time Signal, Radio News, Real (London Relay); 11.15, Goodnight Melody; 11.20, News and the Orchestra; God Save the Queen; 11.30, Close Down.

### Member Of Council And Court

The Chancellor of the University of Hong Kong has appointed Mr. J. A. Blackwood to be a Member of the University Council for a period of three years, it was announced in the Government Gazette today.

H.E. the Governor has re-appointed Mr. Blackwood to be a Member of the Council of the University for three years, it was also notified.

Pilot Officer K. Breiling of the HKAAT has been posted to the HUKDF Reserve of Officers, it was announced in the Government Gazette today.

Ingrid Bergman talks with Mr. Joel Berglund, Director of the Royal Opera in Stockholm, just after the arrival of the famous Swedish-born actress to give performances of Joun of Arc. She was accompanied by her husband Italian Roberto Rossellini and her three children. This will be her first performance in her home country for 18 years.—London Express.

### Chiang Calls His Top Men Together

Taipei, Feb. 4.

Chinese Nationalist President Chiang Kai-shek this morning summoned an emergency meeting of his top officials while Washington-Taipei differences over the new Formosa defence line and the redeployment of Nationalist troops were officially narrowed down.

Nationalist official sources disclosed that the meeting discussed the Nationalist Government's final decision about what should happen to President Chiang's offshore islands as well as Chou En-lai's rejection of the United Nations invitation to attend ceasefire talks.

They said they welcomed Mr. Chou's statement because the statement showed the uselessness of trying to talk or reason with the Communists.

The Nationalist Government on Formosa, according to these officials, was also gratified that Chou's statement showed indifference in obtaining a seat in the United Nations.

They described it as a "complete turn down" with full arrogance of the offer of some neutral nations trying hard to seat China in the world organization.—Reuter.

### Resettlement Areas Inspectors

It was notified in the Government Gazette today that the Chairman of the Urban Council has appointed the following to be authorised inspectors for the purposes of the Emergency (Resettlement Areas) General Rules: Messrs Yung Joe-yee, Eu Chen-wan, Huang Wen-an, Li Sul-oi, Wong Wing-nin, Leung Shik-kay.

### Pantomime At Hospital

The KCC Players this week gave a performance of their popular pantomime, "Little Red Riding Hood," to patients and members of the staff and wives at 33 General Hospital.

The show, which was presented in its entirety, was enthusiastically received.

Next Sunday night at the Boy Scout Headquarters, Cox's Road, Kowloon, the company will give their final public performance of the pantomime.

### WINTER VISITS AMERICA

Chicago, Feb. 3.

Winter put a big freeze on New York City and other Eastern centres today while a heavy snow and ice storm raged in the Western plains and Rocky Mountain areas.

Even sunny California shivered in temperatures that rose no higher than the 40s or 50s at midday.

The coldest weather was in the East where the mercury skidded to 38 degrees below zero at Plattsburg, New York, 15 below in Albany and an even zero at New York City.

The metropolis suffered its coldest weather on record for the date and had 3.7 inches of snow.

The Hudson River froze solid for the first time in 37 years and subway doors became stuck in the cold.

On one subway frozen passengers waited before they could reach the platform.

HEAVY SNOWFALL Cars were hard to start and the Long Island Railroad carried 26,000 extra commuters in the morning rush. The New York snowfall, however, in six years, brought out 10,000 workers to shovel it away.

Meanwhile, snow that reached up to 19 inches swirled across Wyoming, Colorado and northern New Mexico during the night and continued today.

The snow reached out into Western Nebraska in the plains, while treacherous freezing rain and sleet stretched from northeastern New Mexico to southern Kansas.

Winds that rose as high as 83 miles an hour buffeted Rock Springs, Wyoming, along with snow.

Nineteen inches of snow fell in Wolf Creek Pass on the Continental Divide in Colorado and Wyoming.

All mountain passes in Colorado were snowpacked, and travel was hazardous.—United Press.

### Promotions In RHKDF

H.E. the Governor has approved the following promotions in the Hongkong Regiment and Force Headquarters. It was announced in the Government Gazette today:

R.Q.M.S. W. T. J. Lane and Sergeants D. S. Hill, J. R. Heywood, B. H. Newman, P. C. S. Doveson, A. T. Armstrong-Wright and A. I. Nery to be Lieutenants; Private H. R. O. Hubble to be Lieutenant; Lieutenants L. A. Fox, J. W. Kirk, M. A. D'Almada Remedios, M. P. Koyes and R. Oblinas to be Captains.

### Letter To The Editor

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Sir,—From the feathered recesses of my arm-chair, I bestrut myself from my cushioned comfort to express my elation and joy at England's Fourth (and Third) Test wins and her retention of the Ashes in Australia.

Had you invited my comment on the Fourth Test, undoubtedly I should have paid glowing tribute not to the individuals who played so large a part in England's last two resounding wins (names such as Hutton, Cowdrey, Compton, Evans, Statham, Appleyard and Tyson clamour for distinctive mention) but to the whole team who have demonstrated, in the present series, then certainly the grave weaknesses among their Australian rivals.

May I add, Sir, arm-chair critic that I am with absolutely no qualifications to add conviction to my "scathing diatribe" (a slight exaggeration, I feel) against the English team, no more than an interested observer, noting a pleasing all-round improvement in the standard of play in the last two Tests, and that only a pedant would attempt to single out Hutton for further criticism. In short, I regarded his captaincy as excellent in these matters.

A further point, Sir: my opinions have been criticised as gratuitous—particularly in the light of the final outcome. This I do not deny but at the time of writing my earlier comments neither I nor "Sillypoint" could foretell the result. My criticism (which I later learned was similar to that appearing in a number of British newspapers) was simply intended as a reflection of the feeling of a number of individuals at the time, both in Hongkong and abroad, individuals far better qualified than myself to make pertinent comment on this subject. It was, I think, a reflection of the bitter disappointment at our resounding defeat in the First Test and relief, albeit mixed with uneasiness at our narrow win by only 38 runs in the Second Test, but essentially a profound desire to see the England team do better in her next encounters.

Happily I was completely wrong about the Third Test and England won convincingly without a first innings of 600 runs. That may be attributed to my overestimation of the capabilities of the Australian team—but surely, Sir, "Sillypoint" would agree it is far better to overestimate our opponents than to underestimate them, particularly after Australia's long run of post-war successes prior to her setback two years ago. Finally, in the light of events, it may appear that your critic has been caught at sillypoint. . . . In that case, I can only exercise my right to wait for the result of the appeal.

R. H.

### Radio HK And Test Cricket

Sir,—Your "Comment Of The Day"—"Question of Inflexibility" sounds rather like "Mr. Disgusted Of Tunbridge Wells" of the delightful Jimmie Edwards show, reacting to the BBC. I can just picture Mr. Comment Of The Day fuming and fuming over the sacred test match being interrupted by all that silly unwanted classical music which, of course, nobody but fools and those not interested in cricket would ever dream of listening to anyway. And then I can see him rushing to the desk and bawling out a scorching piece of invective, dribbling and foaming at the mouth to knock the local radio station for six.

Mr. "Comment Of The Day" has overlooked the fact, however, that perhaps there are even in Hongkong 1955—some people who are not even mildly excited about cricket. In fact, perhaps there are some who, who silently murmur "What More cricket?" when that which does emanate from Radio HK monopolises the ether. The editorial piece does betray the writer's personal feelings on this most evidently and to many it would sound far too dramatically intense and unbalanced to warrant consideration. No doubt Radio HK which has to cater to tastes many and varied is quite capable of answering for itself this sudden and sudden outburst over such a trivial incident but meanwhile I suggest Mr. "Disgusted" should calm down a little as this sort of spluttering may be bad for his blood pressure.

"NOT MORE CRICKET?"

## Kai Tak Scheme: Govt Calls For First Tender

The first step in the Kai Tak Airport development scheme was officially announced today when a notice was published in the Government Gazette calling for tenders from "contractors with suitable experience for Stage 1 of the reconstruction of the airport."

The contract (No. 9 of 1955) covers (1) the construction of about 3½ miles of sea wall; (2) reclamation involving about 12 million cubic yards of fill. This quantity includes about 6½ million cubic yards of dredged sand and 2¼ million cubic yards of excavation from hills. The balance may be obtained either by dredging or excavation; (3) the construction of an asphalt surfaced runway and taxiway on stone base courses and associated services.

Contract documents can be inspected at the offices of Messrs Scott and Wilson, Kirkpatrick and Partners, Kai Tak Airport, and can be obtained from them on or after February 21 on depositing \$420. This sum will be refunded in each case where a bona fide tender is submitted.

The Government notice adds: "In view of the magnitude of the above works, contractors will be required to furnish satisfactory proof of their technical and financial standing before they will be permitted to tender."

### Official Appointments Announced

Mr Jack Cater has been appointed Director of Marketing as from January 17 by H.E. the Governor, it was announced in the Government Gazette today.

His Excellency has also appointed Mr. Cater to be the Registrar of Co-operative Societies for the Colony, it was announced.

It was also notified that H.E. the Governor, by warrant under his hand, has appointed Mr. D. E. Greenfield to be a permanent magistrate.

Other appointments listed were: Mr. R. A. Mirams to be Chief Engineer, Public Works Department; Mr. R. H. Woodman to be Waterworks Engineer; Mr. J. S. Don to be Engineer, Public Works Department; Mr. H. A. Triggs to be Clerk of Works, Class 1; Mr. Tan Boon-cheok to be Acting Principal Probation Officer; Mr. S. G. Poole to be Acting Chief Health Inspector, vice Mr. T. H. W. King; Mr. W. F. Hunt to be Marine Officer; Mr. G. M. Tingle to be Assistant Secretary, Colonial Secretary.

Mr Cheng Chih-halen has been appointed Food Officer by the District Commissioner, New Territories, for the purposes of the New Territories Rules. It was announced in the Government Gazette today.

### SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"You're lucky to be sick," Elmer! I barely got by in the history exam today—Imagine what you'd have got!"